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Niki Lauda greatly improved his chances of becoming world motor racing champion when he won yesterday's Italian *Grand Prix*. Alain Prost did not complete the race **Page 22**

Airline chief ready to defy Cabinet on routes transfer

By Michael Baily, Transport Editor

The Cabinet will face pressure from three directions when it meets on Thursday to consider the transfer of British Airways routes to British Caledonian.

BA threatens to court dismissal of its board by refusing to implement any instruction by the Government to hand over routes.

BCal threatens to move its operation to Heathrow airport if the Government refuses to strengthen it at Gatwick, inflicting a severe blow on Gatwick and government plans to develop it as London's second airport.

BA's trade unions threaten to "withdraw cooperation" if the hive-off goes ahead, with an implicit threat of industrial action that could bring the airline to a halt.

Lord King, BA's chairman, said on radio yesterday that he would not resign but he and his board would refuse to comply with an instruction to transfer routes. That – though Lord King did not spell it out – would be to invite dismissal by Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for Transport, which would in turn delay privatization of the airline far beyond the target date of next February or March.

The Civil Aviation Authority and independent airlines argue that without a share-out of some BA routes the state airline, when privatized, will become a monopolly impossible to compete against.

Lord King said he would not resign because he must stand by his workers, whose numbers *have been reduced from 59,000* to 36,000 in the past three years on undertakings that routes would not be arbitrarily transferred. He said he could not involve himself in "a breach of faith with the workforce".

On the trade union side feelings are also high, with BA's 4,000 pilots playing a key role. They could halt the airline at a drop of a hat.

Mr Norman Tebbit, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, an opponent of route transfer in Cabinet, is himself a former BA pilot and shop steward. His refusal to comment publicly on the issue almost certainly conceals direct pressure from former colleagues in the British Airline Pilots' Association.

But a board revolt against government instructions would not be open-ended, a BA spokesman made clear last night. The board would refuse route transfers brought about by a change in the airlines's articles of association, but not if it were done by new legislation. "We are not a band of robbers and would have to abide by the law of the land", the spokesman said.

Department of Transport officials were working feverishly over the weekend to see if BA's compromise proposal of last week has enough substance to get the Cabinet off the hook.

This suggests B-Cal flights alongside BA on 13 routes in Europe, India, Singapore, the Persian Gulf and North America (including Miami and Toronto). But there would be no replacement of BA by B-Cal on any route and the B-Cal *share would initially be limited* to 20-30 per cent where they compete.

BA officials will tell the International Air Transport Association in Geneva about the plan today.

But it was rejected yesterday by Mr Alistair Pugh, B-Cal's *chief executive, who said it was* simply a device to "give B-Cal a tiny share then block us in".

The BA proposal would not "strengthen the smaller guys in the scales" as the Civil Aviation Authority had proposed to the Government, and would not provide the restructuring necessary for a strong competitive *industry in the future.*

The CAA's recommendations to transfer the lucrative Saudi and Harare routes "both conspicuously absent on the BA comprise list" were the minimum necessary, Mr Pugh said. If the Government refused to strengthen B-Cal's position at Gatwick he would have no alternative but to move to Heathrow.

B-Cal is Gatwick's biggest scheduled carrier with 40 movements a day, 40 per cent of the total. Its departure would severely damage the airport and government policy to build it up as an alternative to Heathrow.

A transfer to Heathrow would be worth an immediate £20m to B-Cal through better load factors, and would be possible under its existing route licenses, Mr Pugh said.

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Mr Ian MacGregor, chairman of the National Coal Board, en route to the pit peace talks, using a plastic bag to frustrate cameramen

Kinnock traces Scargill 'errors'

By Anthony Bevins
Political Correspondent

Mr Neil Kinnock last night traced the history of the pit strike back to two ballot blunders made by Mr Arthur Scargill.

The Labour leader confirmed on Chanel Four's *Face the Press* that he had said last year that the miners' president was destroying the coal industry single-handed and that he was the Labour movement's nearest equivalent to a First World War general.

But he insisted on putting the attacks into context. He said: "As a consequence of holding two ballots in a very short period of months in 1982 and 1983, ballots in which the miners turned down by substantial majorities strike action, I

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felt that the signal was then being given to this government that the miners were lacking in resolution, and were willing to accept orders and closures and a retraction of the industry that previously had not been the case.

"I think that is the message Mrs Thatcher got. I think it is one of the reasons for the appointment of Mr MacGregor, and for the government's view of the coal mining industry.

"Now in those circumstances I thought that Arthur Scargill had been tactically in error.

"In having those two ballots of '82 and '83, in which there was substantial no votes, and that was the context, that was the background in which I used that phrase."

But Mr Kinnock again criticized Mr Scargill's decision to refuse the miners a national ballot.

He said: "The use of a ballot at the onset of this strike I think would have had only one result. I think it would have been a very substantial yes vote, and that would have had the consequences of giving a coherence to the efforts of the miners to save their pits and secure a development that has not been apparent on occasions during the strike.

"I think that would have been the case then, and I think it would have probably shortened the strike."

Meanwhile, Whitehall sources yesterday confirmed that Mrs Thatcher would have been briefing the Queen on the miner's dispute during her weekend visit to Balmoral with Mr Denis Thatcher.

The Prime Minister returns to Downing Street today. After the limited government reshuffle which is expected tomorrow she will be preparing for Thursday's Cabinet, the first since July, and the first opportunity for a full review of the industrial situation.

Talks on pits halt after two hours

Talks between miners' leaders and coal board officials in an Edinburgh hotel came to a halt after less than two hours last night.

Paul Routledge, Labour Editor

The latest peace talks in the pits dispute started in the Edinburgh area last night, amid fading hopes that the two sides will reach a settlement to the coal strike that today goes into its seventh month.

The latest initiative got off at a cracking pace, quite literally. Mr Ian MacGregor, chairman of the National Coal Board, and his senior managers led the media in a Keystone Cops-style chase before shaking off their pursuers.

He had earlier gone through a silent comedy routine when he arrived at a hotel near the city's airport, leaving his Daimler car with a green plastic carrier bag held in front of his face to frustrate photographers. Mr MacGregor did not speak to reporters then, nor later when he left for an undisclosed destination to get the peace initiative underway.

Meanwhile, Mr Arthur Scargill, president of the National Union of Mineworkers, was nowhere to be seen, though his vice-president, Mr Michael McGahey was spotted on a shuttle flight from London.

Mr James Cowan, deputy chairman of the Coal Board, was not much more forthcoming, though when he arrived at the NCB's chosen hideaway at the Norton House Hotel, a nineteenth century mansion in 55 acres of fields that used to belong to a local florist. But he did voice the hope that the talks would be concluded, one way or the other, by tonight.

Last night's remarkable scenes continued the note of farce injected in to the most bitter strike since the war during last week's Trades Union Congress in Brighton, when the negotiations were on and then off no less than four times.

The NUM's national executive is to meet present round of negotiations, the eigth since the stoppage began on March 12 and the first real break in the deadlock since July 18.

A three man team of Labour movement leaders headed by Mr Norman Willis, the new general secretary of the TUC, is monitoring the progress of the talks, and a special meeting of the TUC's "inner Cabinet", its finance and general purposes committee, is also planned for Thursday to assess the state of play in the dispute.

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Protection promised for Tilbury dockers

By Glen Allan

Dockers intending to return to work at Tilbury today were last night promised a "safe *passage*" through picket lines.

"The picket lines have been quiet at the Port of London so far, and we are taking steps to ensure they remain that way. We will make sure that all dockers reporting for work are unhindered", an official from the Port of London Authority said last night.

The authority has no plans, as employers at Bristol do, to bus dockers into the port. Instead it will rely on a police presence and the psychological pressure of Friday's independent ballot which showed that 52 per cent of striking Tilbury dockers wanted to return to work.

"We have had on average about 40 pickets on duty at any one time here, and even if these numbers grow tomorrow, I am sure that they will respect the fact that 1,500 of their colleagues want to get back to work", the official said.

"Of course the men will be concerned about picket lines, but we are optimistic that there will be no trouble."

After being at a standstill for a week, Tilbury yesterday swung gradually back into action again, as enough dockers turned up to allow two container ships to be discharged and loaded, and work to be started on discharging a third.

The authority claimed that it had received more than 200 calls on its "hot line", set up to answer dockers' queries on the ballot and on arrangements for a return to work.

Faced with union claims that a number of those calls could have been bogus, designed to influence public opinion, a PLA official said: "Although we did not ask for names we are convinced the calls were from genuine dockers.

● Dockers at South Wales's only working port, Barry, in South Glamorgan, decided to join the strike yesterday after they had finished unloading a Geest banana vessel. The 72 men had been under strong pressure to stop work, particularly from striking dockers at Cardiff, (the Press Association reports).

Transport union officials met Barry dockers leaders to give details of an alleged breach of the National Dock Labour Scheme said to involve a haulage firm using outside labour to load lorries at Cardiff.

The Barry men had been reluctant to strike because Geest only recently decided to switch its operations back to their port from Avonmouth docks, across the Bristol Channel.

NUR faces pressure from unions

By Glen Allan

Leaders of Britain's biggest rail union, the National Union of Railwaymen, meet today to decide whether or not to proceed with a 24-hour stoppage on Wednesday, which could bring both main-line and London underground services to a standstill.

The NUR executive meeting takes place against a background of eroding enthusiasm for the action called jointly last month by the NUR and the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen to oppose British Rail rationalization plans.

Already both unions have scrapped plans to start a national work-to-rule today as part of the protest action, and Aslef has decided not to participate in Wednesday's 24-hour stoppage.

This leaves the NUR out on a limb, and the executive will be under strong pressure to fall *into line and call off its* threatened strike.

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Treasury counsel list to be cut

By Peter Evans
Home Affairs Correspondent

Changes are expected in the list of prosecuting counsel at the Central Criminal Court in London.

Government sources said yesterday that Sir Michael Havers, QC, the Attorney *General, had* for some time been anxious to reduce the size of the court's list of Treasury counsel and put work out to other members of the Bar.

There are 16 Treasury counsel appointed by Sir Michael to handle cases for Sir Thomas Hetherington, Director of Public Prosecutions.

According to government sources, there is no truth in suggestions that anyone has been dismissed. From time to time, however, the list needed to be reviewed to allow new blood in.

In the process of giving way for new blood, it was inevitable that *some of the outstanding* counsel would be moving out of the list. The fact that some had been so successful did not give them a perpetual place on it.

According to one senior legal expert, Sir Michael is known to believe it to be bad the counsel should be doing prosecution work only, day in day out.

Barristers had left being Treasury counsel and taken silk to further their careers. One example was Mr Michael Hill, QC, who was a senior prosecuting counsel to the Crown and is now chairman of the Criminal Bar Association.

Another was Mr John Mathew, QC, also a former prosecuting counsel to the Crown.

Graham urges Russians to 'know God'

Moscow (AP) – Dr Billy Graham, the American evangelist, arrived in Moscow yesterday on a 12-day speaking tour and told a Soviet official who met him at the airport: "Peace will only come when we know God." "I am an athiest", replied Mr Vladimir Fitsev, deputy chairman of the Soviet Council on *Religious Affairs*.

But he assured Dr Graham that the problems of the world could still be solved

Bulgarian leader drops Bonn visit

From Michael Binyon, Bonn

For the second time within a week an East European leader has cancelled a planned visit to Bonn. Bulgaria announced yesterday that Mr Todor Zhivkov, the Party Secretary, who was due here on September 19, would not be coming because of the international situation. Herr *Erich Honecker*, the East German leader, called off his visit last Tuesday.

The Zhivkov cancellation, seen here as a direct result of Soviet pressure, is a bitter blow to West Germany's Ostpolitik and hopes of moderating the Soviet Union's hard line on East-West relations.

The Bonn Government immediately regretted the decision, saying it was especially in difficult times that a political dialogue was necessary. Bonn reaffirmed its interest in peace and stability in Europe, and said it was ready to cooperate with all countries in Central and Eastern Europe.

The official pretext in Sofia was that the visit was inopportune, as a result of the stationing last year of American missiles in West Germany and the big Nato manoeuvres

Since both of these have long been *known to the Bulgarians*, Bonn privately sees the reason as being the result of the Soviet campaign to bring its Warsaw Pact allies to heel in observing the freeze on East-West relations threatened by Moscow in retaliation for the deployment of the Nato missiles.

At a rally on Saturday attended by Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, the Soviet Politburo member, Mr Zhivkov accused Washington of preparing for a Third World War.

Meanwhile East Germany, which conspicuously failed to take part in the chorus of Warsaw Pact condemnation of West German "revanchism", has now taken up the same reproaches. Herr Willi Stoph, the Prime Minister, said on Saturday that Bonn was following a line that contradicted the rights of nations.

The Soviet party organ, *Pravda*, returned to the attack on Chancellor Kohl yesterday for addressing Germans expelled from lost territory after the war. Under a cartoon of a German official drawing a swastika, *Pravda* said that in spite of Bonn's denials, Neo-Nazi organizations were growing in the Federal Republic.




Mr Zhivkov: Accused US of preparing for war

Six killed as Hindus riot in Hyderabad

From Michael Hamlyn, Hyderabad

Six people died and more than 100 were hurt when *crowds in a Hindu procession* through Hyderabad city went on a rampage in Muslim areas yesterday. Police opened fire on rioters wounding 10 people, one seriously.

Another 86 people were hurt in stabbing incidents. More than 100 shops were burned and looted and a curfew was imposed on three-quarters of the city.

Mr Nadendla Bhaskara Rao, the Chief Minister of the South Indian state of Andhra Pradesh, *who is at the centre of a political* storm, said last night that the property damaged was all owned by Muslims.

A political crisis in the state, of which Hyderabad is the capital, is due to be resolved tomorrow when a trial of strength between the Chief Minister and his ousted rival, Mr N. T. Rama Rao, is expected to take place in the legislature.

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Poll call for Alliance merger dismissed by Owen

From Julian Haviland
Political Editor
Buxton

Dr David Owen dismissed with some impatience yesterday the latest opinion poll evidence suggesting that a majority of Liberal and Social Democrat supporters wanted the two parties to merge.

The Alliance parties were always being pressed, he said, "to comply with the norms of politics, to merge, to pretend we are part of them and to join the winners-take-all system.

"One of the crucial elements in our success is to convince people that the way out of the *basic problem that faces* Britain, of continuing economic decline, is to offer something different."

Dr Owen, who was interviewed for BBC Radio's *The World this Weekend* on the opening of the Social Democrats' council and assembly, at Buxton, Derbyshire, said that the Alliance was changing the face of British politics and that Liberals and Social Democrats, who were part of this important change, should become prouder of what they were doing.

The poll which roused him was taken by MORI for *The Sunday Times*. It recorded that among Liberal supporters 51 per cent of those questioned favoured and 42 per cent opposed a merger; among SPD supporters the ratio in favour was 52 to 36.

Dr Owen said he had to take account of the fact that 84 per cent of the party's policy making Council for Social Democracy, in another poll, had declared themselves opposed to a merger.

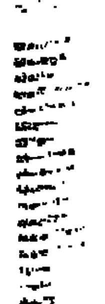
There is no doubt that on this topic the views of Dr Owen and of the elected members of the council coincide. Nor is there any sign among the party activists of dissatisfaction with his assertive leadership or of dissent from his strongly expressed opinion on every political question.

But several amendments, tabled for debate this week have come from members of the Limehouse Group, launched earlier this year with the objective of keeping the party left of centre and ensuring that the aims of radical social change and redistribution of wealth are not forgotten.

Yesterday, Limehouse Group members and their associates twice made their mark, gently but distinctly. In the debate on housing they carried against the leadership an amendment stipulating adequate safeguards to ensure that stocks of council housing are maintained, despite the party's policy of a general right to buy.

In the debate on the Third World, the group's adherents succeeded in strengthening a declaration about the gap in material wealth between industrialized and developing countries, which their amendment described as "thoroughly unacceptable and politically destabilizing".

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Minister's view of Dublin role in Ulster

By Our Political Correspondent

A Northern Ireland minister said yesterday that the Government accepted that there could be a "pooling" of cross-border sovereignty and that ministers recognized Dublin's role in representing the interests of Ulster's nationalists.

Mr Nicolas Scott, Parliamentary Under-secretary, said in an interview on London Weekend Television's *From the Shadow of the Gun* that cooperation on security was vital.

He said: "I think it's important that there is no diminution of soverignty on either side, but there could be a way of tackling the security situation which in a sense involves some pooling of soverignty by both sovereign governments.

"I don't think the Garda on the Falls Road is the sort of solution which is possible without a clear infringement of sovereignty, but I think there might be ways we could get a mutuality between the two parts of Ireland."

Mr Scott's remarks are bound to provoke unionist hostility and suspicion at a most sensitive moment: when Mrs Thatcher is about to appoint a successor to Mr James Prior as Secretary of State for Northern Ireland. Her choice is expected to be announced tomorrow.

But the junior minister's message was underlined yesterday by Dr Garret FitzGerald, the Irish Prime Minister, who spoke of his fears about Ulster's police force in a radio interview.

He said: "All of us share unease about the Royal Ulster Constabulary at the present time in view of a number of things that have happened.

"We have made this clear to the British Government. We have actively represented the nationalists of Northern Ireland and have secured public recognition that we are entitled to do so from the House of Commons.

Envoy was told attack unlikely

Sir Christopher Ewart-Biggs the murdered British ambassador, was told by Irish police chiefs that his car was unlikely to be the target of a terrorist attack.

The advice was given to the newly-appointed ambassador nine days before he was assassinated by the IRA in 1976. He and a member of his staff died when the car in which they were travelling drove over a big land mine planted by the IRA.

Details of a conference attended by the ambassador and two senior police officers are revealed in a forthcoming book, *"Pay, Pack and Follow"* written by his widow.

The book includes extracts from Sir Christopher's personal diary while he was ambassador to the Irish Republic. One entry states: "See two officers of the Garda. (Irish police). They are not reassuring. They do not seem to have given too much thought to the scenario of an attack. They thought for some reason an attack on the car was unlikely".

Police in Dublin declined to comment.

Public schools advised to abolish use of the cane

Top independent fee-paying schools, including most public schools, have been recommended to consider abolishing caning.

The proposal has come from their policy-making body, the Independent Schools Joint Committee, which represents 1,300 leading fee-paying schools.

It follows circulation of a confidential questionnaire to the three main organizations representing about 700 boys' schools.

They are the Headmasters Conference (220 public schools heads); more than 400 heads of boys' schools in the Incorporated Association of Preparatory Schools; and 50 heads belonging to the Society of Headmasters.

The questions they were asked to answer included whether they used the cane or slipper and how often.

A spokesman for the committee said yesterday: "Where the school is in any doubt about its policy with regard to corporal punishment, the ISJC recommendation is that the school should consider abolition.

"This is not a sign that boys' schools are going soft. It follows the fact that corporal punishment has been used less and less in the independent sector of education in recent years".

It had been replaced by "more appropriate" punishment such as suspension and detention.

The move comes after a recent decision by Cardinal Hume, Archbishop of Westminster, recommending that Roman Catholic schools should also abolish the cane.

Abolition would bring private schools into line with recent policy decisions by the Church of England and other educational organizations. Most of the teaching unions have voted to ban the cane.

The Government's proposals to introduce legislation which would allow parents to opt out of letting their children be caned has also been a factor in the fee-paying sector recommendation.

The Government's proposals are likely to cover only state schools, and the independents are not clear where they stand in relation to private schools which take Servicemen's children and to schools which take pupils under the Government's assisted places scheme.

Some of the fee-paying heads are irritated because they feel most schools already use the cane sparingly and conseqently a policy decision was not necessary.

Primary pupils 'ill-treated'

Schools inspectors have been called in to a Cornish primary school after allegations that pupils have been ill-treated.

In one incident a girl aged eight is alleged to have been tied to a chair. In another a girl is said to have been told to cover herself in scent to mask the smell after she had wet herself.

Cornwall Education Authority said that the inspectors had been called in on a "intensive basis," with "a view to reporting to the Secretary of Education".

The authority said that the inspectors would be looking specifically at the incident where girl was allegedly tied to a chair, so tightly that it left marks.

Fears in focus: Mrs J Offord, one of a group of residents in Farnborough, Hampshire, who fear that a plane from the air show may crash on their homes, photographing an aircraft flying over her house yesterday, the final day of this year's show.

Mrs Offord, who is married to a British Airways pilot, is sending copies of some of the 200 such pictures she has taken during the past week to the Civil Aviation Authority, in the hope of forestalling similar displays over residential areas during the next show, in 1986.

"It is going to take a crash before something is done about it", she said yesterday. Her home is two miles from the Farnborough runway (Photograph: Peter Trievnor).

Sage with ever a cross word

By Mark Rosselli

Shrugging aside the challenge of nitwits, cacti and pelmanism, Mr Terry Girdlestone, aged 55, from Bridgwater, Somerset, yesterday won the Collins Dictionaries/*Times* Crossword championship.

Mr Girdlestone, a technical section leader at British Cellophane, was one of 18 finalists who took part in this year's final at the Park Lane Hotel in London, out of 2,300 entrants who began competing in February.

His average time for the four puzzles in which those solutions appeared, was 11¼ minutes, or about 25 seconds for each clue. The runner-up was Mr Paul Best, an advertising director from Reading, in his first final, who averaged 13 minutes a puzzle.

Mr Girdlestone, who won a £500 Harrods' voucher and an Edinburgh Crystal bowl, has now been in six finals; he was runner-up in 1982.

He confessed to having been in serious trouble in the fourth puzzle, when faced with the clue "Burmese Solomon?".

He said: "I realized I was in with a chance and the panic set in. I had to leave the clue and go back to it at the end, and it took me two minutes before I saw that the answer was 'Usage'."

Mr Girdlestone has been doing *The Times* crossword puzzle for more than 35 years.



Mr Terry Girdlestone with his trophy. (Photograph: Dod Miller).

Whitehall to hire private PR

By David Walker, Social Policy Correspondent

A shake-up of the Government's public relations machine now under way will bring many more advertising agents of the Saatchi and Saatchi mould into Whitehall.

The Government has given orders that the advertising and propaganda services provided by the Central Office of Information are to be paid for directly by departments using them rather than out of common funds.

Official public relations executives say this will lead to greater use of the private sector. Ministers such as Mr Michael Heseltine, at defence, a longstanding critic of the Government's in-house information services, and Norman Tebbit, at trade and industry, who disposes a £2m-a-year publicity budget, are likely to insist on a measure of "privatization".

Several ministries, including energy and the department of Health and Social Security, have started to by-pass the COI advisory committee which is supposed to vet advertising contracts awarded to the private sector.

Uncertainty surrounding the future of the COI is reflected in the Government's decision, as yet unannounced, to defer the appointment of a director-general.

Staff at COI is unsettled by the impending changes, which might involve the break-up of the office itself. The agency has recently lost some of its highly experienced advertising specialists, one to British Telecom at three times his Civil Service salary, who have not been replaced.

"All governments, not just Mrs Thatcher's, blame the messenger rather than the message", a COI official said. "The COI represents the tradition that goverment information is as neutral and free from party politics as possible. That is why it is under attack."

By-elections drive on abolition

By Hugh Clayton, Local Government Correspondent

Labour councillors are to force by-elections next year in all seven councils threatened with abolition by the Government. Elections were predicted by Mr Ken Livingstone, a Labour candidate in the present series of contests in London, and Mr Keva Coombes, Labour leader of Merseyside County Council.

Mr Livingstone, who was leader of the Greater London Council until he resigned last month to fight a by-election, said that other Labour members of the council would resign next year to force further by-elections. He suggested that some Conservative members might also resign in protest at the Government's handling of the abolition programme.

He explained that when the present Labour majority on the council had been elected in May, 1981, those who voted for them had expected their term to end after four years. But the Government had cancelled the elections due next May as part of its programme leading to abolition a year later.

Mr Coombes said there would be by-elections in the six metropolitan county councils which the Government wanted to abolish at the same time as the GLC.

One approach was for all Labour members of the six councils to resign at the same time in order to test public opinion in by-elections. The drawback was that it would leave opposition parties with a chance to dismantle Labour councillors' policies

Another approach was for several Labour members to resign at different times to force "rolling" by-elections and create a season of embarrassment for the Government

The key to the four London contests, which are being boycotted by the Conservatives, will be the turnout. A low turnout will enable ministers to claim that the voters share their contempt for the Labour Party's by-election tactic.

Labour's finances improve

By Our Political Editor

The Labour Party last year made its first surplus since 1976 on the normal operations conducted from its national headquarters, and paid off two-fifths of its overdraft.

But the report of the national executive committee to next month's annual conference shows that the party's financial position remains fragile, even without the new risk to trade union political funds posed by the Government's Trade Union Bill. Four-fifths of the party's central income comes from union affiliation fees.

The finance officer's report says that it will not be easy for the party to balance this year's budget and that expenditure has been "pared to the bone". Measures taken, include a pay freeze in 1982 and staff reductions.

The conference will be asked to raise the minimum subscription for individual party members from £7 to £8, and the affiliation fee from 50p to 60p. The accounts show a surplus of £132,000 for 1983, against a deficit in 1982 of £141,000, and an accumalated deficit of £190,000.

The Times overseas selling prices
Austria Sch 29; Belgium B frs 50; Canada $2.75; Canaries Pes 170; Cyprus 700 mils; Denmark Dkr 8.50; Finland Mkk 8.00; France Frs 7.00; Germany DM 3.80; Greece Dr 100; Holland Gl 3.40; Irish Republic 40p; Italy L 2200; Luxembourg Lf 38; Madeira Esc 125; Morocco Dir 8.00; Norway Kr 8.50; Pakistan Rps 18; Portugal Esc 125; Singapore $5.50; Spain Pes 170; Sweden Skr 8.50; Switzerland S Frs 3.00; Tunisia Din 0.700; USA $1.75; Yugoslavia Din 150

Parkinson misses his Cabinet post

By Our Political Correspondent

Mr Cecil Parkinson is missing the excitement of his post in the Cabinet, he says in an interview published today.

The former minister, who resigned in the wake of his affair with Miss Sara Keays, says in the magazine *Options* that he sometimes wishes he was back in office again, but he adds: "I don't regard myself as a Cabinet minister in waiting."

Mr Parkinson says: "I do think running a government department and being a member of the Cabinet is a very exciting, rewarding and stretching occupation.

"Take an issue like the Trident missile system. To be part of the group that takes that decision is just . . . They are really big decisions and I think being involved in them is very exciting.

"You are dealing with information that really could be a matter of life or death. It is a little frustrating sitting on the outside, knowing these discussions are going on and you are no longer a part of them."

Mr Parkinson, who resigned from his post as Secretary of State for Trade and Industry during last year's Conservative Party conference, says that he will not be attending next month's conference at Brighton. He will, instead, be at a board meeting in Italy.

New urban farm may be built in dockland

a new urban farm, combining a working farm with the roles of community centre, school and recreational facility, is being proposed for the docklands of south London, (Our Architecture Correspondent writes).

It would replace the existing Surrey Docks Farm, with its 23 goats, 80 chickens, 11 geese, 15 ducks, two donkeys and three beehives, which is being relocated to make way for a redevelopment scheme.

Mr David Turrent of the ECD Partnership which is architect of the new £200,000 farm, said that two sites on north Southwark were being considered. His practice is working with a local architect, Mr Brian Ford.

Surrey Docks Farm receives more than 16,000 visitors a year, most of them children from schools in and near London.

£138,000 for lakes appeal

The National Trust has raised more than £138,000 for its Lake District Landscape Fund, which was launched last March. The trust is hoping to raise about £250,000 a year during the next few years to maintain the landscape in the one-quarter of the Lake District National Park which it owns.

When he launched the appeal, Dr David Bellamy the botanist, said that because of the pressure of visitors, the Lake District was being "loved to death and it needs to be loved to life again".

2 drown, trapped by seatbelts

A young man and woman, both from Weybridge, Surrey, drowned yesterday, trapped by their seatbelts in a submerged car. Four other people in the back of the car, which plunged into the Wey river, were rescued by ambulance men and taken to hospital with slight injuries.

The car had crashed through a fence and fell 10ft into the river, where it landed on its roof in 5ft of water.

Family reunion

Madrid – Miss Diane Bond, one of two British hitchhikers attacked last Thursday in the hills north of Madrid, was reunited yesterday with Mrs Pamela Greenway, her mother, and her stepfather at the home of the British Consul-General here.

Blaze deaths

Miss Beverley West, aged 40, was found dead on a bed and her mother, Mrs Alwyn West, aged 75, was dead on the floor beside the bed after a fire at their house in Darwin Avenue, Christchurch, Dorset, yesterday.

Toads are back

Natterjack toads, which are in danger of extinction, are being reintroduced to East Anglia. Mr Roger Goulby, of Lowestoft, Suffolk, has bred 3,000 tadpoles this summer and they are being released into the wild in Norfolk by the Nature Conservancy Council.

Quads born

Quadruplets were born at the John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford, at the weekend and were reported to be "doing fine". Their parents did not want their identities disclosed.

Escaper caught

James Fitzgerald, a "loyalist" on the run from Magilligan jail in co Londonderry, was arrested yesterday when police searched a flat in Shankill Road, Belfast.

Belgrano change of course 'not known'

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

The Falklands war cabinet decision to sink the General Belgrano was taken at a time when ministers and the Ministry of Defence still believed that the Argentine Cruiser was closing on elements of the task force, according to a report in yesterday's *Observer*.

The paper said that it had been told by naval sources that radio contact with HMS Conqueror, the nuclear submarine which had shadowed the Argentine cruiser since April 30, 1982, had been strictly limited.

"The Conqueror would surface, if it could, receive a single burst of code, transmit its own cyphered report and dive again", the paper said.

"That meant that after the Chequers decision at 1pm on the Sunday (May 2), the first chance to transmit the sinking order was at 2pm. That was also the submarine's first opportunity to transmit its dramatic new intelligence – that the Belgrano had reversed course."

Whitehall documents leaked to Mr Tam Dalyell, Labour MP for Linlithgow, who has been campaigning for an inquiry into the sinking of the cruiser, have stated that the Belgrano reversed course away from the task force on a heading for Argentina at 9am on May 2; 11 hours before she was torpedoed.

The Observer said that by the time the Conqueror's intelligence had been deciphered "it may have been thought too late to countermand the order, though in fact the Conqueror did not go on the attack until after the order was repeated at 4pm. The first order may have been garbled."

But the paper also said that the order to sink the Belgrano "was not countermanded in time"; which suggests that the message had been decoded by the time that it was sunk, four hours after the first order had been repeated.

Mr Dalyell said last night: "It seems to me that a rather sensational Sunday journalist has been fed something by the Ministry of Defence, and he has swallowed it

Liberal leader calls for end to secrecy

Mr David Steel, leader of the Liberal Party, will call today for a cross-party agreement to end excessive secrecy in British public life.

In the foreword to a new book, *The Secrets File*, he says: "The level of secrecy in Britain today has reached proportions that seriously undermine the health of our democracy.

"This is a clause that should have the support of all who are concerned with the quality of that democracy.

Mr Steel calls for the replacement of "the totally unacceptable Official Secrets Act" with a much narrower statute dealing solely with national security. He also urges "a full freedom of information act".

The Secrets File, edited by Des Wilson (Heinemann Educational, £4.95).

Mont Louis salvage

Accusation of arms for Russia in holds

By Pearce Wright
Science Editor

The salvage crew trying to rescue the nuclear cargo from the Mont Louis, the French freighter wrecked in the Channel off the Belgian coast, is attempting to place a net over its gaping hold. The purpose is to prevent containers of uranium hexafluoride being washed away in rough seas hampering recovery operations.

Gale force winds caused new delays yesterday. Plans to moor a 330ft pontoon by the sunken ship as a breakwater to shelter divers were deferred. Divers were unable to work during the weekend.

An additional controversy has erupted with allegations that the vessel was carrying high technology equipment of strategic importance from France, which the US and its allies had agreed not to supply to the Soviet Union.

The Mont Louis was carrying supplies of uranium hexafluoride from Cherbourg to Riga, where the material was to undergo a process of enrichment, which is a method for increasing the proportion of uranium 235 in the mixture.

Natural uranium extracted from ore contains about 0.7 per cent of the isotope 235. For weapons it is enriched to over 95 per cent uranium-235 and for thermal nuclear reactors between 3 and 5 per cent.

The claim that, in addition to uranium hexafluoride, the ship was carrying other militarily sensitive freight, was made on Saturday by Mr Oswald van Ootegham, a Belgian senator. The French Ministry of Defence and the ship's owners denied suggestions that there were weapons on board the vessel. However, the owners have said it was carrying engineering parts for the Siberian gas pipeline.

Nevertheless, repeating the charges, Mr van Ootegham said last night that the ship was carrying arms which had been transferred from a damaged Soviet vessel.

Calmer seas are needed before the divers can attach lifting gear to the first of the 30 full containers in the Mont Louis. Five empty containers washed away last week were recovered by the salvage team.

The wreck has caused embarrassment on several counts. It showed the extent of a little-known trade in nuclear material and stimulated groups such as Greenpeace and the National Union of Seamen to call for a review of international shipping law governing nuclear materials.

Although uranium hexafluoride is a corrosive compound, the covert nature of its shipment is not to circumvent pollution controls and safety regulations. It is to avoid attracting attention to a militarily useful cargo. There is still anger over the way an earlier consignment of uranium was "diverted" mysteriously to the Middle East 10 years ago.

The arrangement between the French nuclear fuel company, Cogema, and the Soviet Union is equally puzzling to experts. No specialist from the West has seen the enrichment plant used by the Russians. That aspect is understandable since no Russians have been invited to plants in Britain

Ironically the French company tried last year to end the contract, which began with a Soviet-French agreement in 1973. The arrangement was made originally when forecasts for Europe predicted a far larger construction plant for the American-type of pressurized water reactors (PWRs), needing 3 per cent to 4 per cent enrichment, than materialized.

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Lawyers accused of trying to influence sentencing through choice of judges

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

How the allocation of cases to judges can be manipulated in an attempt to influence sentencing is shown in a report today by the Centre for Criminological Research at Oxford University.

At one court there were instances when a solicitor for the prosecution went to the listing officer and pressed for a case to be listed before a judge who had a reputation for tough sentences. At another, defence advocates occasionally tried to bring a case or bail application before one of the "weak" sentencers, the report says.

The report, *Sentencing in the Crown Court*, is based on a pilot study done in 1981, and the authors say more research is needed to find out how widespread such practices are.

But Lord Lane, the Lord Chief Justice, has refused permission for further study on the grounds that nothing worthwhile would come of it. His view, cited in the report, is that the research would not be worth the expenditure of judicial time and money.

Yet the Home Office had agreed to fund the centre's inquiry.

The researchers found that the listing policy in two of the three courts they studied was clearly influenced by whether the judge or recorder was regarded as "inexperienced" or a "weak" sentencer.

"To some extent this policy had the beneficial effect of ensuring that complicated cases were not listed before inexperienced judges. But a distinct objective was to keep cases of any seriousness away from those who were regarded as 'weak' sentencers."

The concern appeared to be to minimize inconsistency and leniency. "Since the leniency of the labelled judges was a source of inconsistency, these listing policies made some contribution towards greater consistency, by confining the 'weak' sentences to cases in which weak sentences would be appropriate."

The researchers add: "Our impression, however, was that consistency was not the uppermost consideration in the minds of the listing officers: almost all the court staff to whom we spoke disliked seeing offenders 'getting off lightly'."

The power which some administrators wield over the outcome of certain cases is a matter of constitutional importance, the researchers say. The discretion left to listing officers ought to be exercised according to known criteria.

The report, one of a series of occasional papers by the centre, is by Andrew Ashworth, Elaine Genders, Graham Mansfield, Jill Peay and Elaine Player. Dr Ashworth, Fellow of Worcester College, is editor of *The Criminal Law Review*.

High proportion of young blacks in custody

By Our Home Affairs Correspondent

The high number of young black males sentenced to custody has been disclosed by a research study.

Whereas young whites outnumber young blacks by 30 to 1 in the population of the Southeast, in youth custody centres the study found a black for every three whites.

The study, by Mr Colin Guest, an assistant prison governor, shows that Asians are less likely to go inside. In the population they are outnumbered 20 to 1 by whites but in custody by 70 to 1. Outside, young Asians outnumber blacks three to two; inside, the blacks outnumber Asians by 22 to 1.

The figures come from a study made between 1981 and 1983 of 4,876 young males who passed through Rochester Youth Custody Centre. They comprised 3,659 whites, 1,165 blacks and 52 Asians. Young blacks are about 33 times more likely than young Asians to experience custodial sentences, Mr Guest says.

Asians, although much fewer in number, committed proportionately more offences of violence. Forty-seven per cent were in for an offence against the person, compared with 31 per cent of blacks and 22 per cent of whites.

Mr Guest believes that as the young Asians have been less often in custody they would have to have committed a particular serious offence to be put inside.

A worrying discovery is that the highest proportion of violence has been committed by the youngest boys.

Young people in custody are likely to come from deprived backgrounds. Many more than in the general population had lost a parent, mostly through marital breakdown. A significant number of those who had lost a parent also came from big families. For example, 37 per cent of whites without one of their parents came from families with five or more children, as did 50 per cent of blacks.

The survey was done by Mr Guest for an MSc thesis at Cranfield Institute of Technology.

Corruption inquiry at DPP

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

Scotland Yard officers surrounded by tight security are investigating allegations of corruption involving officials from the office of the Director of Public Prosecutions. The allegations have been made by a former London detective convicted of corruption.

The Yard, confirming the investigation yesterday, said there were "a number of allegations of conspiracy and corruption. These matters are said to refer to previous investigations which were carried out by officers of this force."

Scotland Yard refuses to say which branch of its detective force is investigating and has refused to give any further details. The statement could suggest that the previous police inquires may also have been into corruption.

The allegations have been reported to involve several senior DPP officials, a number of legal figures and a private detective. There has also been a report of an alleged contract to assassinate a senior Scotland Yard detective.

A spokesman for Sir Thomas Hetherington, QC, the DPP, confirmed that the allegations had been made by a former policeman and said the inquiries were being carried out with Sir Thomas's full agreement.

The spokesman could not say whether any officials had been suspended from duty.

Investigations involving police corruption would normally be carried out by, Scotland Yard's complaints investigations bureau or, in some situations, senior officers brought in from the police districts. If they ran wider, officers from other specialist branches at the Yard might be drawn into the inquiry.

The Yard has given no indication of how serious the allegations are. But there was considerable reluctance at the weekend to go any further than the brief statement.

Portfolio

Two share £20,000

It was ladies' day in the weekly £20,000 Times Portfolio competition on Saturday. Two shared the dividend, and both have travel on their minds.

Mrs Joan Howarth, aged 48, of Sheffield, a housewife and mother of two teenage daughters, will take her husband Philip, a company secretary, on a Mediterranean cruise, because he did all the checking of the card. And he may achieve his ambition of a trip on Concorde as well.

The other £10,000 winner, Mrs Angela Farrant, aged 51, of Drayton St Leonard, Oxford, could hardly wait to confirm her success in Saturday morning. She was off to Lymington for a weekend's sailing on the yacht she and her husband, a farmer, use regularly.

Two people shared the £2,000 daily prize. They are Mrs Elizabeth Brace of St Nicholas, Cardiff, and Mr Jack Cornforth, of Shepshed, near Loughborough, in Leicestershire.

The Portfolio game will be continued for the time being: it was originally to have been a game for the summer but because of the continuing demand for cards by new readers Times Newspapers will not yet end it.

Cards can be obtained by sending a stamped addressed envelope to

The Times Portfolio
PO Box 40
Blackburn BB1 6AJ.

Existing cards of course remain valid.

Today's list appears on page 16; rules and how to play, Information Service, back page.

Ten injured by carnival fireworks explosions

Ten people were injured, three seriously, on Saturday night when fireworks exploded at a town carnival display.

Rockets and other explosives were sent hurtling into crowds of people watching the display at the annual carnival on Chapel Green, Crowborough, Sussex.

Miss Carol Saunders, aged 17, of Rotherfield, had a rocket embedded in her leg. She was in a satisfactory condition in hospital after an operation last night.

Brett Parrish, aged eight, who suffered leg wounds and Mark Jaenicke, aged six, with head injuries, were also "satisfactory" in hospital.

The three are in hospital at Pembury, near Tunbridge Wells, Kent. Seven others were released after treatment.

The carnival committee chairman, Mr Terry Gibb, of the Broadway, Crowborough, said yesterday: "I don't wish to comment on the incident until I have had statements from all those involved. Hundreds of people watched it happen."

Earlier, vandals had set light to the carnival bonfire and officials had spent most of the day rebuilding it in time for the fireworks display.

The accident happened soon after the bonfire was officially ignited. Fireworks exploded and flew among the several hundred spectators who had gathered behind safety barriers.

Police from Crowborough were last night still interviewing witnesses, although Miss Saunders was not well enough to be seen.

Beef may be the cause of patients' deaths

By Nicholas Timmins

Four more patients died during the weekend at Stanley Royd psychiatric hospital in Wakefield, West Yorkshire, bringing the total deaths since the food poisoning outbreak began a fortnight ago to 26.

How many of the deaths are due to the salmonella-like infection is unlikely to become clear, however, until adjourned inquests on those who have died are completed during the next few weeks. The number of patients, all with symptoms of diarrhoea and vomiting rose yesterday to 22, from 16 on Saturday. A number are said to be seriously ill.

Doctors investigating the outbreak pointed out yesterday that in a hospital such as Stanley Royd with a population of almost 900 patients, many elderly and confused, up to 10 new cases of gastro-enteritis could be expected on any given day without there being any general infection.

They are also trying to establish what went wrong in the cooking and preparation of food at the hospital to allow the infection to become established and why cross-infection from one patient to another occurred. Those who died during the weekend were three women aged 77, 78 and 91 and a man aged 63.

'Paperwork adds £400 to car costs'

Cars would be nearly £400 cheaper if all the paperwork involved in their production could be eliminated, it is estimated.

Project Odette, a British-led European initiative, aims to save costs by carrying out transactions on computers and visual display terminals.

The new system would transmit invoices, quotations, orders, work schedules and shipping advice.

Odette (Organization for Data Exchange through Tele Transmission in Europe) has been formed by motor manufacturers and suppliers from Britain, Belgium, France, West Germany, Italy, The Netherlands, Portugal, Spain and Sweden.

Mr Colin Anthony, chief accountant of the Ford Motor Company in Britain, has been elected chairman. He alone deals with 1,800,000 invoices every year.

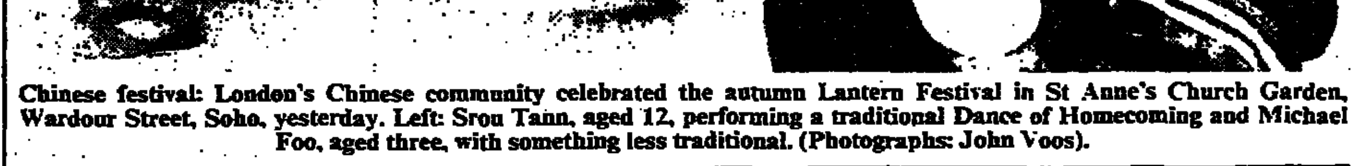
● A two-litre diesel-engine car can cost 4½p a mile less to run than a similar petrol engine car, according to the Automobile Association.

The savings can be more than 15p a mile with engines larger than two litres. The AA says its engineers have worked out running costs for diesel cars in response to demand from members.

Taking all costs into account, including depreciation, lost interest on money used to buy the car, and insurance, a diesel-powered car of up to two litres costs 26.9p a mile, compared with 31.4p for a 1500 to 2000cc petrol-driven car.

● UK sales of Range Rovers in August, 553, were a record for a single month since the vehicle was launched in 1970. The number was more than 12 per cent up on the previous highest figure set in August last year.





Chinese festival: London's Chinese community celebrated the autumn Lantern Festival in St Anne's Church Garden, Wardour Street, Soho, yesterday. Left: Srou Tann, aged 12, performing a traditional Dance of Homecoming and Michael Foo, aged three, with something less traditional. (Photographs: John Voos).

Stay-in-Britain holidays gain favour

By Jeremy Warner

Portugal and Spain remain the cheapest of the popular British holiday destinations, according to a brochure published today by Thomas Cook to help people find their most suitable holiday resort.

Britain is the most expensive destination, with holiday costs nearly double those of Portugal after excluding travel and hotel expenses. The figures have been compiled for a cost of holiday living index in the brochure.

More Britons last year took more holidays in Britain than at any time during the past decade and its tourist industry is expecting a boom next year because of the recent news that foreign package holiday prices are to rise by about 20 per cent.

Mr Ian Bell, chairman of the British Hotels, Restaurants and Caterers' Association, said that most hotel prices in Britain would remain the same or rise only in line with inflation.

"By being sensible about price increases, we believe that British holiday resorts will be in an excellent position to capitalize on the huge increases in the cost of overseas packages next year", he said.

The English Tourist Board said: "There is no dubt that it will benefit Britain as a whole as most prices are expected to rise by no more than the rate of inflation and many prices will be held."

Last year British residents spent a total of 735 million nights away from home – the highest number for 10 years – while their spending on tourism rose by 12 per cent to £9,775m.

Of the total, 545 million nights were spent in Britain – an increase of 7 per cent over 1982 – and £5,350m was spent on trips at home.

Britain's share of all the nights spent away from home by Britons increased slightly from 73 per cent in 1982 to 74 per cent in 1983.

The "short break" British holiday of between one and three nights is becoming increasingly popular. From a base of 44 million nights in 1974, this sector of the market has since grown consistently, rising a further 9 per cent last year to 70 million nights.

Spending on short holidays showed an even more impressive increase, rising by 18 per cent last year to £725m.

Diabetics' needless risk of blindness

By Nicholas Timmins, Social Services Correspondent

Many diabetics are at needless risk of going blind, a leading specialist in diabetes said yesterday.

New laser techniques developed in the past five years for treating eyes meant that doctors could "almost guarantee to most diabetics that they need never fear blindness if their eyes were inspected every year", Dr John Ward, chairman of the British Diabetic Association's medical advisory committee, said yesterday.

But a recent survey by the association, which celebrates its fiftieth anniversary this year, showed that about 30 health authorities had no specialized clinics for treating Britain's 600,000 diabetics.

Dr Ward, a consultant physician at the Royal Hallamshire Hospital in Sheffield, said that in diabetics tiny blood vessels in the eye could grow abnormally and then burst, producing permanent eye damage and blindness. Regular eye checks could detect the changes before the patient was even aware of them, and lasers could then be used to seal up the vessels at an early stage.

Sufficient lasers were probably available to provide the treatment, he said. But the screening facilities did not exist. About 30 health authorities had no specialist diabetes clinics and even in well-established clinics, 70 per cent did not have a room that could be darkened properly to allow eye checks to be made.

"Beside all the drama of heart transplants, which some of us might say should not be done anyway on economic grounds, arguing about whether there is a dark room might seem pretty mundane", Dr Ward said. But diabetes was the biggest single cause of blindness among the working population, and much of that was preventable. It was likely in time, he said that some patients would sue.



THE SDP ASSEMBLY ● Argentina policy ● Aid for Third World ● Constitution ● Housing crisis

Party 'is run by too few people'

Unease that the SDP organization was in the hands of too few people surfaced at a sub-assembly of the Social Democratic Party in an hotel in Buxton.

One delegate said that the party was "begging to be given to itself", while the wife of the chairman of the national organization committee, Mrs Celia Goodhart, of Kensington, London, said that organization should be the responsibility of an elected body.

The sub-assembly was crowded with members from the main assembly wishing to discuss the review of the three-year-old constitution of the party.

Mrs Goodhart said: "We are told that the Council for Social Democracy (the policy-making body of the SDP) is only for policy. OK. Then who can discuss organization of the party, on which our future depends every bit as much as on policy?"

The constitution should be changed so that the Council for Social Democracy could also discuss organization. She complained that it was impossible to discover who was on the organization committee, and why, and amid laughter added: "I know who the chairman is, and he's not elected".

It should be an elected body and elected not from members of the national committee.

"There are too few people in this party doing too much, and a large number of very able people who could do a bit more."

Miss Sian Mathias (East Surrey) said: "The party is begging to be given to itself. The membership wants to be allowed to run the party and to be trusted by the national committee."

Much of the earlier discussion on organization centred on the role and structure of area parties, which have been a feature of the SDP from its beginning.

Mr Henry Coates (Bristol) said they must retain the area party concept. He heard people saying that they should go down to a constituency level organization, but that was wrong. Having constituencies working with each other provided a spread of effort and understanding.

Mr Don Granger (North Humberside) said there were many single constituency area parties already and his impression was that the number was growing. That might cause some dissatisfaction with area parties.

Miss Gillian Artis (South Norfolk) said that they should elect the Council for Social Democracy representatives on the basis of the number of members in area parties.

That was applauded, but Mr Roger Fox, Ealing secretary, said that the bulk of the membership of the party was in the south of England and if the council was elected on the basis of the number of members it would become dominated by the South.





Studies in contemplation: Mr William Rodgers (left), Mr Roy Jenkins, and Dr David Owen at the assembly yesterday (Photographs: Brian Harris).

Britain 'could endanger Argentine democracy'

Reports from John Winder, Sheila Beardall, and Barbara Day

A friend of President Raoul Alfonsin of Argentina warned the SDP Assembly yesterday that the President's standing, as a democrat and a man of the centre-left, could be endangered, as could the fragile bloom of democracy in Argentina by a negative British attitude on the Falkland Islands.

Mr David Stephen, Lambeth, prospective parliamentary candidate for Luton North, was speaking in a brief debate on the Falklands on the first day of the assembly at Buxton, Derbyshire.

The assembly passed, unamended, a motion stating that, while the view of the Falkland islanders should be given the fullest consideration, they could not be paramount.

The motion continued that it was essential for the Government to open discussions with the Argentines to reach a settlement in the South Atlantic allowing Britain to abandon the heavy cost of "Fortress Falklands". It added that any settlement should include an arrangement whereby "sovereignty of the Falkland Islands is vested initially either in the United Nations under the provisions for trusteeship or under the auspices of the Organization of American States, or under satisfactory arrangements for joint sovereignty".

The motion also said that any settlement should ensure that Britain maintained undisputed sovereignty over South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands.

Mr John Roper, former SDP whip in the House of Commons, said in moving the motion that the SDP in 1982 had supported the response to aggression with an ultimate use of force and believed that the situation now demanded that they should look imaginatively for a solution to the problem.

Their first concern was that the Falkland islanders should go on living in a stable situation, but they should not have an ultimate veto. The cost of "fortress Falklands" was a distortion of defence policies.

There should be discussion on a range of options that would protect the islanders' interests but indicate a flexibility of British position over sovereignty. They were entitled to argue for a more magnanimous and intelligent position by Britain to find a solution in the long-term interests of Britain and the Falkland Islands.

Mr David Stephen said he had for some years been a personal friend and admirer of the President of Argentina and knew how well he was regarded by his own people. "He is a democrat and is after our own hearts, a man of the centre-left."

A negative attitude in Britain encouraged a negative attitude in the dictatorships of South America as well as in Argentina. In Chile, democrats had been disappointed by the failure of the Argentine and British governments to talk.

Mr Martin Dent, North Staffordshire, said: "What is the point of winning a victory unless you go on to make it secure by making your enemy into your friend (applause)?

Mr Dent said that he had written that to *The Times* when he had been attacked by ministers for daring to suggest that the Lord's Prayer should be said in Spanish at a Falklands service.

Mr Eric Odgen, former SDP MP for Liverpool, West Derby, asked the conference to read the motion line by line and clause by clause and then to reject it.

Paramouncy had not been sought by the Falkland islanders but offered to them by successive governments, foreign secretaries, and by Parliament. Those who had supported it in government should not lightly reject it in opposition.

The responsibiliy for the breakdown of the negotiations between Britain and the Argentine in Berne rested firmly with Argentina because it had deluded itself that it could play poker with the British negotiators and put sovereignty on the agenda again. The resolution was misguided.

Mr Roper, replying to the debate, said that neither Dr David Owen nor the late Mr Anthony Crosland, former Foreign Secretary, had taken the position of paramouncy. They should not hold the rigid position that the British Government was holding.

The motion was agreed.

Ministers attacked on housing crisis

Housing must be regarded as a commodity and dragged from the arms of those who saw it as a social provision, Mr Jim Daly, chairman of the housing working pary, said when opening a debate on an SDP discussion document, *Housing, a Choice for All*.

In the long term, he said, they wanted to see the development of housing as an industry that supplied the market.

Mr Daly, was moving a motion which condemned the Government for the worsening housing crisis reflected in falling numbers of new homes, particularly in the public sector, the continuing explosion of prices of homes to buy and to rent, and the scandal of bed and breakfast racketeering.

The motion also endorsed the central proposals in the discussion document, including a call for increased investment in housing by the public, private, and voluntary sectors to ensure an adequate supply of housing and a widening choice for those wishing to rent by encouraging private investment in rented housing through a small amount of public subsidy.

Mr Daly said anyone walking around London, Liverpool, Manchester, and other big cities would see the most appalling evidence of homelessness. People were sleeping in the streets and some people were making a living out of the misery through the horrible experience of bed and breakfasting. He called for a campaign to expose what was happening.

Miss Andrea Dawson-Shepherd, SDP students, said that privately rented accommodation was usually the only kind available to young people. It was a problem to which councils must attend.

Mr Roger Fox, Ealing, said that nothing had given ordinary working people more hope in housing provision than the right to buy. They could not win votes by ending that right.

Mr Malcolm Cundick, chairman of Darlington SDP, said that they should do something about the ailing construction industry. Much time had been wasted by those how had had to draw up projects for housing against a background of stop-go policies.

Mr Michael Goldstone, Merton, south London, asked for the SDP's policy of the right to buy for council tenants with a temporary waiver of that right in areas of severe housing stress to be reviewed. "What is the result of the right to buy policy? The good stuff goes and the rubbish remains. In the rubbish live the poor."

Mr Roger Liddle, replying to the debate on behalf of the national council, said that single homelessness was not just a student problem. One of the greatest inequalties was the inability of young working class single people to set up home on their own. It was a fundamental injustice.

Against the advice of the national coucil, an amdendment seeking to reduce the present discounts on council house sales and calling for safgeguards to maintain housing stock, was carried by a small majority.

The motion, with this and other amendments, was carried.

Aid to Third World in our interest, says former MP

Richer nations had a moral obligation to help the developing countries, Mr Christopher Brocklebank-Fowler, SDP Council member and a former MP, told the assembly when moving the council's motion on the Third World.

It was also in Britain's self interest in tackling unemployment that the largest potenial customers should have the foreign exchange with which to buy goods and services.

The motion said that the gap in material wealth between industrial and developing countries was unacceptably large and that industrialized counries had moral duty to alleviate poverty and promote development in the Third World.

It condemned the nationalistic economic policies of the West. It said that Britain should call on Western industrialized nations to coordinate action to achieve worldwide economic growth by expanding West European economies; increased aid; a drive against protectionism; and international free trade.

It also said that British policy toward the Third World should promote greater free trade; increase aid to 0.7 per cent of our gross national product; and support, if necessary, during periods of high interest rates, short-term loans from the International Monetary Fund and central banks.

Mr Manzoor Moghal, Leicestershire, said we had to give aid to the third world, not only on humanitarian and economic grounds but also to ensure our own survival. Developed countries could not be an island of prosperity surrounded by a vast sea of poverty which threatened to drown them.

Mr Steve Bene, South Hampshire, said there were two big obstacles to providing money and resources to the third world: the stagnant economy of the industrialized west and with the ever-rising expenditure on armaments.

Mr Anthony Sampson, replying to the debate for the national committee, said the party could not ignore the furious attacks from the right which believed that all aid was wasted.

Linking the question of arms sales with the question of development put the party in danger of giving the enemies of aid the ideal excuse for doing nothing.

An amendment was carried deleting the reference to an unacceptably large gap in material wealth and substituting a declaration that the enormous differences in wealth were morally unacceptable and politically destabilizing.

The motion, with that and other amendments, was then carried.



Mr Brocklebank-Fowler

Policy of help for dying coal towns praised

The death of coal communities was inevitable as production moved from the older to the newer fields and as the industry sought to expand its markets, a delegate who works for the National Coal Board said during a debate on energy policy.

Mr Adrian Alderson, East Cheshire, said the future of the coalmining industry was part of what the present dispute was all about.

He was glad that SDP leaders had said the party must pursue a policy of developing an economic policy for coal communities left behind when their resources were exhausted.

The SDP had said the coal board should develop a policy for industrial investment in coal communities that had died.

Mr Alderson said he thought that was the germ of an idea that could contribute not only to the future of our energy policy but could also, more immediately, help to provide a solution to the present miners' strike.

Mr Phil Bevins, St Helens, said nuclear technology could not be uninvented, but Britain was fortunate to live on an island of coal and there were still 400 years' worth of coal left in the ground.

The debate concluded.

Today's debates

Todays's assembly business includes: The parliamentary report and question time, a debate on education, and the president's address followed by a debate on Thatcherism. In the afternoon a policy for women, unemployment, local govt in London, and emergency motions will be discussed.

Shadow of debt threatens the successes of Milton Keynes

By David Walker Social Policy Correspondent

Milton Keynes is technically bankrupt, and there are fears that Whitehall wrangling over how to put the new town's accounts in order could jeopardize its remarkable story of economic and social development.

Officials in the still rapidly expanding town and in Whitehall now accept that Milton Keynes's assets will never cover its huge capital debt. A recent decision to "suspend" a third of the £763m debt is seen as a stopgap.

In the strictly financial sense the town's government-appointed development corporation has been insolvent for some time. Revenue nowhere near covers the interest it is supposed to pay the Government on loans. It will never break even in the way that the earliest new towns such as Crawley, Harlow and Bracknell eventually paid off their loans and finally produced a handsome surplus for the Government.

But the Treasury is reluctant to accept that loans made to Milton Keynes will never be repaid. That would mean effectively writing off the accumulated £4,500m debt incurred by the new towns in total.

The later generation of new towns, such as Northampton, Peterborough and Milton Keynes was required to spend much more than Stevenage or Hemel Hempstead on roads and community facilities. Land was dearer and from the mid-1970s the rapid increase in interest rates made their development much more expensive.

A former new town manager commented: "Once we could say that in 2020 Milton Keynes would on conventional accounting terms break even. But in the wider sense of assets created, Milton Keynes has already succeeded – it's a vibrant community, industrialists are clamouring to set up shop, it's the hub of a growth corridor up the M1."

In the tangle of government finance for the new towns, the net cost of Milton Keynes and the other new towns which are still growing is nowadays tiny, as the Government is accruing a substantial income from the assets of the older new towns. But on paper Milton Keynes's debt to the Exchequer continues to pile up.

Department of the Environment ministers have said in public that the present confusion cannot continue, but so far the Treasury has not agreed to any proposals for writing off past debt.

Officials at the Milton Keynes Development Corporation fear "scare stories" about the debt which they say might confuse paper transactions with the real world of bricks and mortar and the town's continuing healthy development programme.

Ecologists defend waste plant

Environmental groups and local residents demanding the closure of a chemical waste disposal plant have been asked by Sea Shepherd Conservation to withdraw their opposition.

The international environment group fears that mounting public pressure to close the Re-Chem incineration plant at Bonnybridge, Stirlingshire, could lead to "wholesale, unregulated pollution of the environment

The Re-Chem plant specializes in the disposal of high temperature incineration of polychlorinated biphenyls, a toxic industrial pollutant which has a dioxin content.

During the past year, Re-Chem has been criticized by local and national pressure groups after allegations that its emissions may be responsible for cattle deaths on surrounding grazing land.

Attempts have been made to link the plant to sight defects in newly-born children and independent investigation is being carried out for the Scottish Office into an apparent higher than average incidence of leukaemia in the area.

However, Sea Shepherd, which has offices in Britain, Canada and the United States, fears that closure of the plant could cause widespread, illegal dumping of the chemicals.

The organization's Glasgow-based European director, Mr David McColl, said: "It is time for all parties on both sides to make an objective and unemotional assessment of the situation and not allow panic and hysteria to bring about an apparent short-term solution.

"Incineration would at present appear to be the only practical method of disposing of these undoubtedly highly dangerous chemicals.

"Rather than concentrating all attention on companies who destroy this menace, it might be more productive to take action against those who create these materials in the first place."

Last open show: The Woburn silver collection glistening in the sun yesterday for the last time as Lord and Lady Tavistock set it out for a final outside viewing before it is locked up.

From today they, like the public will only be able to see the Woburn Abbey treasure, estimated to be worth £5m, secreted away inside bullet-proof cases in the crypt of their home in Bedfordshire.

Lord Tavistock has decided to put the silver back on show after the Woburn burglary, but is not taking any security risks.

He said yesterday: "before the burglars struck, the silver was set out for everyone to see in all its splendour in the abbey. Now people will be able to see it only through glass display cases. It is a great shame."

Village halls at risk from council rules

By Hugh Clayton Local Government Correspondent

Village halls are threatened by the tougher hygiene and safety conditions being demanded by some local councils, according to a pressure group, the Village Halls Forum.

There are more than 8,000 such halls in Britain providing facilities for community activities such as dances and jumble sales.

Thiose most in need of improvement had ben built before 1939 and were nearing the end of their useful lives, the forum reported in the latest edition of *Environmental Health*, the journal of the Institution of Environmental Health Officers.

The volunteerswho run the halls need to use them for fund-raising activities which enable them to demolish the buildings and replace them with new ones, the forum says.

But if they are bared from using their old ahlls, they often have no means of raising the money needed to replace them.

Environmental Health: (Epsilon Press, Distribution Centre, Blackhorse Road, Letchworth, Herts; £2.50).

Scientists look at dangers to survival

By Pearce Wright Science Editor

The world's climate is changing, according to evidence which will be presented to the annual meeting of the British Association for the advancement of Science in Norwich this week. But the findings are only likely to add fuel to the controversy of whether the earth is heading for an Ice Age or a period of everheating caused by the 'greenhouse effect'.

The scientist will examine other possible threats to survival, such as the chances of Earth colliding with a large asteroid and the effects of a "nuclear winter".

Other controversial issues include the dangers of boxintg and the British Medical Association's call to ban the sport. And the possibility will be raised of a future government using mood-changing drugs to keep the unemployed from rioting.

Senior police officers and Home Office scientists will also talk about the effectiveness of the police force and the results of introducing tape recorded interviews with the suspects and other technical aids.

In addition to talking about subjects which in the past have been taboo, namely astrology and the paranormal, there are papers on the shape of cars and aircraft to come, genetic engineering, alternative medicine, and changes in agriculture and food production.

Sales of secondhand airliners boom in new trade-in market

By Edward Townsend, Industrial Correspondent

The new air of confidence sweeping through the world's aerospace industries has had a marked impact on sales of second-hand airliners, now a multi-million-dollar business almost as important as second-hand cars are to the motor industry.

Airlines drained of cash during the recession and now enjoying a return to profitability, are discovering that the manufacturers are keen to take their old aircraft in part-exchange for new models. And the resulting pool of second-hand jetliners is at last finding a ready market.

Mr Jim Blue, a Boeing vice-president, arrived at Farnborough Air Show last week with five Lockheed TriStars for sale. He was confident of placing some of them and predicted that within a year there would be no second-hand TriStars

Competition between Boeing, McDonald-Douglas and Airbus Industrie, the three leading contenders in the big civil jet business, remains fierce, with each claiming that the complicated packages of leasback deals and part-exchange arrangements mean that in some cases new airliners are all but given away.

Boeing's second-hand section, headed by Mr Blue, was founded 15 months ago and has since sold 15 747s, seven 727s, three DC10s and two TriStars, most of them to US carriers. There are now no 747s or DC10s on the used market, according to Mr Blue.

Mr Blue, a Boeing man for 35 years, says with proper corporate loyalty: "Our overall objective is to design, manufacture, deliver and export new Boeing airplanes.

"While we might sell another manufacturer's aircraft, our goal is to make those who buy them profitable, so that we can get them into the Boeing family.

"We have been in business a long time and we are not trying to make a quick profit.

He quotes the example of Kuwait Airlines which, he claims, bought more wide-bodied airbus A310s than it needed. "We agreed to take three of them on a trade-in for 767s.

"I didn't think a year ago that any big airline would buy a used aircraft. Since then we have sold more than anybody else and the planes are not going to Third World operators but to airlines like People Express.

"All but one of the 27 aircraft we have sold in the last 15 months have gone to US airlines. We even sold three used 747s to Pan American."

A new 747 now costs about $100m while a second-hand one goes for less than half that price. But the most popular second-hand jets, according to Mr Blue, are Boeing 727-200s and 737s, which can be picked up for as little as $10m.

Homeless go squatting because of 'desperation'

By Christopher Warman, Property Correspondent

Squatting, particularly in London, is increasing as measures to help the homeless are failing, according to a report in the latest issue of *Roof*, published by Shelter, the national campaign for the homeless.

The report says that although squatting has not been in the headlines for some time, more people are turning to it in desperation. It is nowadays less a vocation for people seeing it as a desirable form of tenure, and more a solution for people who see no other way of getting somewhere to live.

"Most of today's squatters are taking the only alternative to years either in poor housing or with no home of their own at all," Mr Nick Fielding, deputy editor of *Roof*, writes.

He says the Homeless Act is unable to deal with homelessness. In many London boroughs being accepted as homeless under the Act can mean staying for months in a bed and breakfast hotel or other temporary accommodation, and council house transfers can take months if not years. "Property is being sqatted now that some years ago would not have been touched because it was in such poor condition."

The report discloses that an advisory service for squatters is getting 20 calls a day, most of them from London.

Mr Fielding says that as people take things into their own hands, some inner city councils are finding that control over housing allocations and empty properties is slipping away from them.

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Another setback for Kohl's Ostpolitik

How the Zhivkov visit came to grief

From Michael Binyon, Bonn

The decision yesterday by Mr Todor Zhivkov, the Bulgarian leader, to call off his visit to Bonn is a further blow to the Kohl Government's attempts to keep open a dialogue with Eastern Europe, and evidence of the determination in Moscow to impose a freeze on East-West relations.

Bulgaria is one of the Soviet Union's warmest and most loyal allies, and until now has also maintained good relations with West Germany. Mr Zhivkov, whose foreign minister was here in May, was due in Bonn on September 19 for a three-day visit that would have come immediately before the now-postponed trip by Herr Erich Honecker, the East German leader.

Both moves are seen here as a result of Soviet pressure, after the virulent Soviet press campaign against West German "revanchism". Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, a senior Soviet Politburo member, was in Sofia recently to attend anniversary celebrations of the Communist's takeover in Bulgaria.

However, Mr Zhivkov may also have wished to show solidarity with Herr Honecker, who was clearly reluctant to bow to Soviet pressure over his visit. Bulgaria gave quiet support to the East Germans' arguments that dialogue with the West had to continue, and Mr Zhivkov was aware that, had he gone to Bonn, the contrast with Herr Honecker would have humiliatingly underlined East Germany's circumscribed position in the Warsaw Pact.

President Nicolae Ceausescu of Romania is also due here next month, but he is not likely to cancel his trip. The Romanians have frequently demonstrated their independence of Moscow in foreign policy, most recently in being the only Warsaw Pact country to attend the Olympic Games.

Herr Honecker pointedly supported this independence when, unlike any Soviet leader, he attended Romania's celebrations last month of the 1944 anti-nazi coup.

The collapse of the Bulgarian visit unravels the carefully planned Bonn campaign to shore up relations with Eastern Europe at a time of increasing tension between Moscow and Washington. To this end Chancellor Kohl visited Hungary in June, and Bonn was able to entice Mr Rohuslav Chnoupek, the Czech Foreign Minister and one of the most ardent supporters of the Soviet hard line, here in July.

Herr Hans-Dietrich Genscher has pushed hard to be the first Western foreign minister to visit Warsaw since the imposition of martial law and he is expected there in November.



Heavy brigade: Tanks rumbling through Sofia on Saturday during celebrations to mark the fortieth anniversary of Bulgaria's revolution.

Bonn's plans in continuing Ostpolitik seemed to be succeeding until the Soviet Union began its campaign against West Germany seven weeks ago. That was seen as directed mainly against Herr Honecker, whose visit would have symbolized the improvement of inner-German relations in spite of Nato's missile deployment. But the Russians were clearly putting pressure on all East European governments.

Poland and Czechoslovakia have been the most vocal in echoing accusations of revanchism and, in an ill omen for the Genscher visit, Warsaw last week challenged Bonn to take concrete steps to improve relations and demonstrate its commitment to the 1970 German-Polish treaty.

The collapse of the Honecker visit has had a domino effect on Bonn's relations with all Eastern Europe, which could signal the end of the policy initiated by the Schmidt Government to maintain bridges to the East despite worsening superpower relations.

A sharp debate is now expected in the Bundestag on Wednesday, when the Government will be challenged to defend its handling of the Honecker visit's prepartions. Herr Egon Bahr, the Social Democrat disarmament expert, said at the weekend that Moscow was not to blame for the visit's collapse, and Herr Willy Brandt, the SPD chairman, said a chance had been missed to get some movement in East-West relations.

Chile bans pictures in opposition magazines

Santiago (Reuter) – Chile's military Government has banned four opposition magazines from publishing pictures and ordered them to print stories about anti-government protests only on inside pages.

Santiago's chief military officer, General René Vidal, issued the order against *Analisis*, *Apsi*, *Cauce* and *Fortin Mapocho* after two days of protests last week.

The Government has brought court actions against three of the magazines, which it alleged had subverted law and order and incited protests. But the Appeal Court revoked an earlier order suspending publication of the weekly *Cauce*

Hundreds of Chileans flocked to the airport yesterday as the body of the French priest, André Jarlan, shot dead during last week's protests, was flown back to France.

President Pinochet, meanwhile, led mourners at the funeral of Lieutenant Julio Briones, head of the secret police in the northern city of Copiapó, who was one of two people killed when police and troops stormed a university

According to official accounts, he and a student were shot dead by extremists from a hill nearby. But the Bishop of Copiapó, Mgr Fernando Ariztia, quoted students present as saying that Lieutenant Briones had been mingling with them for several hours, and was killed by shots fired by police

A group of British trade union leaders and Labour MPs arrived yesterday for a visit.

Rama Rao takes his fight to the streets before crucial vote

From Michael Hamlyn, Hyderabad

In the heart of the constituency which returned Mrs Indira Gandhi, the Indian Prime Minister, to Parliament four years ago, is the sound of a battle which could well decide the future of Indian politics.

A crucial vote will take place in the Andhra Pradesh state legislature tomorrow to settle who rules here, and the former Chief Minister, just ousted by Mrs Gandhi's governor (who has since been forced to resign himself), *is* taking his fight to the streets.

An aging matinee idol who manages to preserve the rather fleshy good looks that made him brilliantly famous, the former Chief Minister, Mr N. T. Rama Rao, is borne through the streets of Sangareddy, the headquarters town of the Medak constituency, on the top of a van.

A spotlight illuminates him wearing the saffron robes of a holy man, and an ashen religious mark on his forehead, reminding the breathless onlookers of the gods and saints he played on the cinema screen.

"Mrs Gandhi won this seat by a landslide," said a young enthusiast, eyes aglow, "but she has thrown all that away by turning this man out."



Mr Rama Rao: Beautiful voice, harsh words.

When Mr Rama Rao speaks, his voice has the timbre and the rolling measure of an old-time Shakespearean actor. It is a beautiful voice. The words are not so beautiful: he is threatening mayhem.

"The country is witnessing a revolution," he says, "after my government was dismissed and *a puppet regime installed*. If justice is not done in the Assembly on September 11 we will launch a bloody revolution to save democracy in India."

He urges people to come to Hyderabad, the state capital, in hundreds of thousands, perhaps: hoping that this will terrorize any wavering members of the Assembly back into his camp.

In private he is much less impressive. He sits, apparently exhausted by the heart surgery he underwent recently in the United States, hunched over his walking stick. He whispers his responses to questions

Mr Rama Rao's dismissal has caused a furore around India, coming, as it does, hard on the heels of the ousting of governments hostile to Mrs Gandhi's Congress (I) Party in Sikkim and Kashmir.

With a general election due by the turn of the year, it is important for Mrs Gandhi to control as many state governments as possible. She cannot hope to repeat the landslide she had in 1980, but control of the administration of a state can add another 10 per cent to one's total vote there.

Success in defeating Mr Rama Rao, therefore, will encourage the central Government to engineer further dismissals in other non-Congress-ruled states. Neighbouring Karnataka, where a Janata-led coalition holds shakily on to power, is a likely target, as is West Bengal where a thriftless Communist Government is getting into financial difficulties.

The immediate beneficiary of the coup in Andhra, Pradesh is Mr Nadenial Bhaskara Rao, the leader of a breakaway faction of the ruling party, Telegu Desam.

Mr Rama Rao knew that a split was developing in the Telegu Desam party, but he was nonetheless startled to be told that he was dismissed, when he thought he could count on a majority of Assembly members. He packed his party men off to a resort hotel in the neighbouring state to keep them safe from intimidation or bribery, but Mr Bhaskara Rao now reckons that 50 of them will support him tomorrow.

If that is the case, then he is safe and the coup will have succeeded. But even if it has, cynics fear that Mr Bhaskara Rao may not last long. He depends now on the support of the Congress (I) members, and in a month or two that could be withdrawn, leading to stage two or the coup, the imposition of president's rule and complete control in the hands of the central government.

The Salvador Dali controversy

Family rounds on sick painter's three friends

From Richard Wigg, Barcelona

Salvador Dali, the Catalan painter, was said in a hospital bulletin here yesterday to be suffering breathing difficulties and to have a slight fever. The painter, who is 80, has had a skin transplant operation after burns received in a fire at his home.

Meanwhile, the three friends who had been living with him are at the centre of growing criticism. Speaking for members of the Dali family, headed by Annamaria, the painter's sister, Señor Gonzalo Serraclara told *The Times* yesterday that a legal inquiry was required. It should concern not only the fire at the painter's home but also "possible negligence in the administration of the artistic patrimony of Salvador and Gala Dali". The painter's Russian-born wife died in June 1982.

Señor Serraclara, who complained of the painter being "surrounded by strangers who kept him from the affection of his family", said he did not know if he had made a new will after Gala's death. But he emphasized that Salvador Dali's original intention was to leave "all his works" either to Figueras where he was born or to the Spanish people. A foundation runs the Figueras museum, but the most valuable works are still in the painter's own collection.

An investigating magistrate in Gerona, near the painter's home at Pubol castle, has just started a second inquiry at the family's request.

This investigation is in addition to one by a local magistrate limited to the fire. A Civil Guard on duty at the time, two nurses and M Robert Descharnes, the French member of the painter's trio of friends, have given evidence to this second inquiry.

The two other friends are Señor Miguel Domanach, Dali's lawyer since 1980, who claimed last week that the painter's works are worth more than £50 million and Señor Antoni Pitxot, a Catalan painter.

Señor Serraclara said that ultimately it would be for the Dali Foundation, of which he is a member, or the Spanish state, to demand a full account of what has happened to Dali's works.

M Descharnes was in an incident witnessed by journalists in a leading hotel here on Friday night involving a French publisher of Dali's engravings and a friend since the 1930s, Pierre Argillet. The publisher said to reporters: "The trio of friends has put all others aside and kept Dali's business affairs for themselves.".

If the painter recovers, Señor Serraclara said he hoped his sister who had been estranged from him for many years will be allowed to go and live with him.

'Hijack' skipper faces charges in Spain

From a Correspondent, Madrid

The Spanish Government is to start legal proceedings against Señor Juan Bautista Sanz, the owner-skipper of the trawler *Santa Teresa de Jesus*.

Last week he "Hijacked" two soldiers who had boarded his trawler and ordered him to put into Agadir for allegedly fishing illegaly in Moroccan waters.

He is facing charges of "gravely infringing" Spain's fishing agreement with Morocco, which could be punishable by a withdrawal of his licence and a fine of 10m pesetas (£45,500).

The Spanish Government is determined to take a strong line in the matter after a week of fruitless negotiations with Señor Sanz to persuade him to return his boat and himself to the Moroccan port of Agadir.

The soldiers boarded the boat eight days ago after it was found fishing off the Moroccan coast with an out-of-date licence. Señor Sanz gave them a meal and as they snoozed afterwards he headed for the Canary Islands.

After a stay in a military garrison in Lanzarotte, soldiers returned to Morocco in a Spanish military aircraft yesterday.

The Spanish authorities were keen to persuade Señor Sanz to return to Agadir to prevent a minor fishery issue esculating into a more serious diplomatic incident involving charges of kidnapping.

Police again use teargas in African townships

Black rioters defy ban on meetings

From Micheal Hornsby
Johannesburg

There was renewed unrest in African townships over the weekend in which an unidentified black man was shot dead by the police, bringing the total of deaths in two weeks of rioting to 38.

The toll of injured may run into several hundred although the official figure is only 50. A spokesman for the South African police, Major Kobus Van Rooyen, said tear gas and rubber bullets were used to disperse crowds that formed in Sebokeng yesterday in defiance of a 48 hour ban on all gatherings other than bona fide church services until 11 am tomorrow.

The ban covers the magisterial districts of Vereeniging and Vanderbijlpark, two industrial centres 40 miles south of Johannesburg, which include the satellite black townships of Sharpeville, Sebokeng and Evaton. Those were the scenes of serious riots last week.

Major Van Rooyen said the demonstrators, mainly youths, threw stones at police vehicles and erected makeshift barriers across roads. The police had to intervene twice during the afternoon to restore order, he said. No injuries were reported.

On Saturday violence erupted in Katlehong township, 12 miles south-east of Johannesburg, after the funeral of one of the victims of the previous week's rioting there. Some of the mourners attacked the mayor's house, setting it alight.

A policeman guarding the house was attacked with pangas, [African machets], and severely wounded. Another policeman who saw the rioters leaving the burning house tried to arrest them and then opened fire when they fled. He killed one man and wounded another.

Another funeral for riot victims in the Daveyton township 20 miles east of Johannesburg, passed off peacefully on Saturday even though the mourners openly defied restrictions imposed by the local magistrates on political speech-making and chanting slogans.

The funeral was for three boys and a girl, aged between nine and nineteen who, according to the township's residents, were shot dead by the police during the riots the previous week. The police denied they were involved, but have given no other explanation for the deaths. About 3,000 mourners attended, mainly schoolchildren, members of the bereaved families and youths from other areas. There were frequent shouts of "Tambo. Tambo." a reference to Mr Oliver Tambo, the exiled president of the underground African National Congress.

Pallbearers carrying the coffins on to the football pitch where the ceremony was held chanted in Zulu: "We of Umkhonto We Sizwe are ready to sacrifice ourselves to kill all the Boers." Umkhonto We Sizwe [Spear of the Nation] is the ANC's guerrilla wing.

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Township funeral: Mourners throng round the coffin of one of the four children killed in rioting in Daveyton.

Kremlin dilemma of guns or butter in succession struggle

From Richard Owen, Moscow

With arms control and defence spending emerging as a policy issue in the Kremlin, the Soviet press gave equal weight at the weekend to speeches by Mr Mikhail Gorbachov and Mr Grigory Romanov, the two main contenders for the eventual Kremlin succession, giving the impression that the struggle within the Politburo may be more closely fought than previously believed.

But there were no further clues to the fate of Marshal Nikolai Ogarkov, who in a sudden and dramatic move was dismissed last week as Chief of Staff and Deputy Defence Minister.

In a speech in Sofia published by *Pravda* yesterday, Mr Gorbachov hinted at a dispute between the military and consumer-minded Kremlin leaders over defence spending, noting that although the state had given "unflagging attention to strengthening the country's defensive capacity" this was "deflecting a considerable part of our resources". He added that the Warsaw Pact could not do otherwise,"we all have to do this."

The removal of Marshal Ogarkov and his replacement as Chief of Staff by Marshal Sergei Akhrouneyev, is seen to be linked to the leadership question. Although President Chernenko reappeared last week after an absence of nearly two months, his health and political authority appear to have been undermined, and long-term manoeuvring has begun.

The Soviet military have played an increasingly visible role in Soviet politics over the past year, partly becouse the Politburo faces vital issues which either have military connotations or are the direct result of military decisions. Those include the aftermath of the Korean airliner crisis, arms control issues on land, sea and in space, and relations with Eastern Europe.

Tass said yesterday that relations between the superpowers has fallen to "the lowest level in their entire history" because President Reagan had convinced himself that Washington could conduct arms talks with Moscow only from a position of strength.

Responding to Mr Reagan's interview yesterday with *The Sunday Times* Tass said the President should not be surprised that there were no talks because he was to blame for this.

In his interview Mr Reagan said peace and arms control would be his priorities if he won a second term in November. Tass observed that a choice between peace and destruction was possible, "but for this it is necessary to stop deceiving oneself and others."

Informed sources said Marshal Ogarkov, had fallen from grace because of his powerful personality. Party leaders are traditionally suspicious of ambitious senior officers, but he might also be the scapggoat for policy failures.

"Russia has painted itself into a corner on arms control", one Western diplomat said yesterday. "There are no talks going on, and Moscow has to somehow match America with cruise, the MX missile, space weapons, you name it."

As far as medium-range missiles are concerned, the Soviet decision to deploy rockets in Eastern Europe to counter cruise and Pershing 2 is presented as a necessary measure with braod Warsaw Pact support, but in fact has caused tensions behind the scenes between Moscow and two of its normally orthodox allies, Czechoslovakia and East Germany.

Marshal Ogarkov is also thought to have fallen foul of more traditionally minded generals by advocating the development of advanced high-technology weaponry at the expense of tanks and heavy rockets.

Sources suggest that Marshal Ogarkov, who had taken a hard line on arms control, was allied with Mr Grigory Romanov, the Politburo member and Central Committee secretary for defence-related industries. Mr Romanov, aged 60, was out of the country when Marshal Ogarkov was dismissed, attending the founding congress of a Communist Party in Ethiopa.

In his speech, carried in *Pravda* on Saturday, Mr Romanov launched a bitter attack on the US in language which recalled hardline speeches by the Soviet military. He accused Washington of threatening the world with nuclear war, and of staging "barbarous acts of aggression around the globe."

By contrast Mr Gorbachov spoke in Bulgaria about the lack of East-West dialogue, adopting a tone of regret rather than belligerence.

Iraq grants asylum to Iranian hijackers

Baghdia (AP) – an Iranian police lieutenant and a man accompanied by his wife and two young children, who hijacked an Iran Air Boeing 727, on a domestic flight on Saturday, freed 71 hostages yesterday at a military airbase in Iraq after being granted political asylum.

Fifty-two passengers were reported to have escaped from the plane during a stopover in Cairo. It was the third Iranian passenger plane hijacked in the past month.

The leader of the hifackers told reporters they were monarchists opposed to the Khomenei regime and supported the former Iranian Prime Minister, Mr Shahpour Bakhtiar. But in a statement released in Paris, Mr Bakhtiar condemned hijacking.

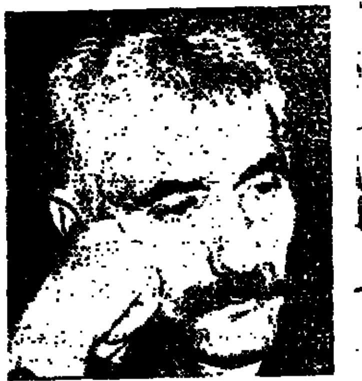
SIDRH, LIBYA: *President Khamenei of Iran and other senior Iranian officials arrived in Libya on an official visit after three days of talks in Syria (AP reports).*

Crime figures drop in US

Washington (Reuter) – Serious crime in the United States declined by 7 per cent in 1983, the biggest drop for 23 years, the FBI said yesterday.

The bureau's annual report said about 120,070,200 crimes were reported last year. There were an estimated 19,308 murders, down 8 per cent from 1982.

Director dies



Yilmaz Guney, the Turkish film director who escaped from prison in 1981 and shared the Cannes film festivals' top award in 1982 for Yol (The Path)' died yesterday in a Paris hospital from stomach cancer. (A P reports) Guney, who was 47 and of Turkish origin, was jailed in Turkey in 1976 for killing a public prosecutor.

Moscow spurns Skinner widow

Moscow (AFP) – The widow of the Midland Bank representative, Dennis Skinner, found dead here on June 17 last year, has been stripped of her Soviet citizenship on the orders of President Chernenko.

The announcement, in a bulletin from the Supreme Soviet, said that Mrs Ludmila Skinner, born in 1946 and living in Britain had been punished for "actions prejudicial to the standing of the Soviet Union". Mrs Skinner told Croydon coroner's court he had cooperated with British intelligence.

Fela rearrested

Lagos (Reuter) – The Nigerian rock star Fela Anikulapo-Kuti was rearrested just a day after being released on bail in a currency smuggling case. Police seized him in mid-sentence during a press conference at his house.

Bolivia arrests

La Paz (Reuter) – Bolivian security forces have arrested several people suspected of plotting to overthrow President Hernán Siles Zuazo. Officials said the plotters intended to launch the coup by killing trade union officials meeting in Cochabamba.

Bush blaze

Dar es Salaam (Reuter) – Three Britons – George and Christine Tardias and Andrew Graham – retracing the journey of the explorer Stanley in Tanzania, have lost their tent, notes, two passports, clothing, cameras and money in a bushfire, the Shihata news agency reported. But they are continuing their 1,200-mile trek.

Release of detainees challenges Pretoria

From Our Own Correspondent, Johannesburg

In a ruling that could make it harder for the South African Government to detain people without trial for unspecified security reasons, a judge in the Pietermaritzburg Supreme Court has ordered the release of seven persons arrested on the eve of last month's Coloured (mixed-blood) and Indian elections.

Mr Justice B. Law declared last Friday night that the notices served on the seven detainees by the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis Le Grange, under the terms of the Internal Security Act were invalid and their arrests unlawful. He ordered them to be released forthwith.

Those released were: Mr Archibald Gumede, the African president of the multi-racial United Democratic Front (UDF); Mr George Sewpersadh and Mr M. J. Naidoo, the president and vice-president of the Natal Indian Congress (NIC); Mr Mewa Ramgobin and Mr Billy Nair, both leading NIC members, and two other black activists, Mr Kader Hassim and Mr Bhekuse Kikine.

They were all arrested, along with about 35 other senior figures in the UDF, of which the NIC is an affiliate, on August 21, the day before the elections to the Coloured chamber of the new tricameral Parliament. The UDF led the campaign for a boycott of the elections to the Parliament.

Mr Justice Law argued that Mr Le Grange had failed to give adequate reasons for the detentions. The minister's statement that he was satisfied that the detainees had been trying to create "a revolutionary climate" was "a conclusion, and [the law] obliged him to give his reasons for arriving at that conclusion, as well as the information upon which his conclusion was based".

Mr Justice Law's ruling is thought to be without precedent. It has generally been accepted hitherto that anyone suspected of a security offence can be held virtually indefinitely

In another unprecedented ruling, a judge in the Rand Supreme Court has ordered that a security detainee – a term which in South Africa covers those guilty of violence against the state as well as mere political dissidents – is entitled to confidential consultations with his or her lawyer.

The ruling was handed down in the case of Mr Aubrey Mokoena, general secretary of the Release (Nelson) Mandela Campaign

Bells ring for Pope in Quebec

From John Best
Ottawa

The Pope flew into Quebec City yesterday to begin his 11-day tour of Canada. He was welcomed by the Governor-General Mrs Jeanne Sauvé, as a "pilgrim of compassion and peace".

Launching his longest tour yet of a single country, the Pope prostrated himself and kissed Canadian soil immediately after leaving the chartered Alitalia aircraft which had brought him from Rome.

He was greeted in brilliant sunshine by Mrs Sauvé; Mr John Turner, the Prime Minister and Mr René Levesque, the Premier of Quebec, as well as ecclesiastical dignitaries.

Church bells rang out all over Quebec City as the Papal aircraft touched down 10 minutes ahead of schedule. The Pope's first gestures on emerging from the aircraft before descending the landing ramp, were a wave and a smile for the 1,000 or so people waiting at the airport.

After an elaborate arrival ceremony, including a 21-gun salute, the Pope set out on a drive which ultimately was to take him to the basilica in the heart of Old Quebec.

Today the Pope was to visit the St Anne de Beaubré shrine, north-east of Quebec City, then travel by train to Trois-Rivières, between Quebec City and Montreal on the St Lawrence river.

The heaviest security in Canadian history has been laid on for the Papal visit.

The Pope is to visit all but two of Canada's 10 provinces before returning to Rome from Ottawa on September 20.

● ROME: *In a message* released shortly after his departure for Canada, the Pope said he planned to visit Yugoslavia "in the near future" (AP reports).

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Botswana's ruling party sweeps back to power

Gaborone (AFP) – Botswana's ruling Democratic Party (BDP), in power since the Landlocked southern African country's independence in 1966, has swept back into power after Saturday's general election.

Counting of votes in this country of fewer tha a million people continued yesterday with the BDP taking 22 of the 24 parliamentary seats and the opposition Botswana National Front (BNF) taking two seats.

The only significant defeat for the ruling party was when Mr Archie Mogwe, the Foreign Minister, lost his Gaborone north seat to a businessman, M. Dabutha of the BNF, by 898 votes, the South African Press Association (SAPA) reported.

The other seat captured by the opposition was in the Kanye constituency 60 miles south-west of here.

The BNF leader Mr Kenneth Koma, lost by only 112 votes in a clash with Mr Peter Mmusi, vice-president of Botswana.

But while the BDP won most of the parliamentary seats the BNF has so far won a big majority of town council seats, which were also included in Saturday's poll.

Lange taxed on defence

From W. P. Reeves, Wellington

Pressure on the Labour Government to broaden its anti-nuclear stance came from the party's annual conference yesterday when it called for New Zealand's withdrawal from Anzus and from all military exercises and alliances with nuclear powers.

The conference also sought the closing of the US Air Force base at Christchurch which is used as a staging post for Antartic operations.

Mr David Lange, the prime Minister, is believed to have cautioned delegates about the anti-American mood which developed during the debate which was held in committee. Party sources said he pointed out that many of the criticisms were targeted against the United States. The causes of disarmament and world peace would not be helped by a witch-hunt against one nation while putting blinkers on the activities of others.

Other sources said the conference demands were not likely to find their way into government policy.

World chess championship



The contenders: Cautious Karpov (left), mercurial Kasparov.

Young titans battle for crown

From Our Own Correspondent, Moscow

The battle for the world chess championship which opens today between Gary Kasparov, the challenger and Anatoly Karpov, reigning world champion, will be a "battle of young titans," Moscow chess experts say.

Both are brilliant. "We could be in for a series of hard fought draws before youth triumphs over experience or vice versa," one chess enthusiast remarked.

Kasparov, a swarthy, handsome and well-built Azerbaijani from Baku, is the younger of the two at 21. If he wins, he will become the youngest champion. Karpov is 33.

Kasparov won the right to challenge Karpov last April by beating Vasily Smyslov in a qualifying match in Lithuania. He agrees that he and Karpov are well matched, but noted in an interview with *Sovietsky Sport* that Karpov had more experience and "a more rational style of play".

As the challenger, Kasparov said, he had the psychological advantage. "Where imagination counts I am in no way inferior".

A child prodigy in a nation for which chess is an obsession, Kasparov became a chess master at the age of 14. Two years later, he leapt to international fame by defeating 14 grandmasters in a world tournament. And even at that stage he was thought by some to be second only to Karpov.

He is seen by some Soviet officials as arrogant and cynical, although others merely regard him as self-assured and individualistic. He is driven by the ambition to become world champion three years earlier than Karpov did.

Karpov, who became champion nine years ago, has a quite different character and approach. Away from the chess board he has proved a model Soviet citizen, loyally toeing the party line. His playing style is correspondingly cautious and methodical.

Kasparov, by contrast, tends to be mercurial, with flashes of intuition, although his style matured during the qualifying match against Smyslov.

Karpov became champion by default in 1975, when Bobby Fischer of the United States withdrew, but Karpov has since fought off several challenges and has lost only 18 games of nearly 400 played.

Kasparov relies heavily on his Armenian mother, Klara, (his father was Jewish), and she has been helping to chart his strategy against the champion. "After nine years, Karpov will finally be facing a worthy opponent", one Moscow chess expert said.

***If Kasparov does win, he will* have to face Karpov again in a year under a new ruling. To ensure that Kasparov has other opponents worthy of him in future years, the Russians are already nurturing the next generation of prodigies.**

Marchais keeps his distance

From Diana Geddes
Paris

M Georges Marchais, the Commuinist Party leader, chose the Communists' great annual festival, the Fête de l'Humanité in Paris at the weekend, to mark a further shift of the pary away from the Government and the Union of the Left.

He stopped short of declaring an actual rupture of the Union of the Left however. In some ways he softened the tone adopted earlier by other leading Communists who had declared that the party no longer formed part of the majority.

That was contradictory to the line taken after the Communist Ministers left the Government last July when the party leadership insisted that the Communists were still in the majority, as opposed to the opposition, and that they would continue to support the Government on those measures which they considered to be "in the right direction".

M Marchai's, in his speech at the festival, was highly critical of the policies adopted by the Government since June 1982, when economic austerity was introduced. But he said that the Communist still supported a Union of the Left, although "not of the same kind" without explaining what he meant.

The hardening of the Communist line has been clear from the increasingly critical tone adopted in the party newspaper, '*Humanité*, over the past few weeks. Almost every day some pretext is found for a new attack against the Government.

The Communist-led CGT union has also been toughening its tone and increasing its calls for industrial action. But it is not all certain that the rank and file will follow.

An opposition divided, page 12

Prisoners freed by Unita fly to South Africa

Johannesburg (Reuter). – A further 25 prisoners freed by Angolan anti-Government rebels have been flown to South Africa after about six months in captivity.

A Red Cross charter plane brought the captives, including 11 Roman Catholic nuns, to Johannesburg from the main rebel Unita camp at Jamba in southern Angola.

Senhor Eduardo Farinha Fernandes, the Portuguese consol in Johannesburg, said the group included 13 Portuguese and one Cape Verdian plus 11 nuns from Italy, Colombia, Mexico, Spain and Angola.

In an unusal move, the South African authorities refused access to the prisoners.

Peres fights to preserve deal with Shamir

From Moshe Brilliant
Tel Aviv

Mr Shimon Peres's bumpy decade-long climb to the Israeli premiership continued jolting to the last. Having agreed with Mr Yitzhak Shamir that they should take turns running a national unity Government, he was yesterday fighting a move inside his own party to annul the deal. The showdown will take place in a two-day meeting of the party's central committee opening here this afternoon.

The mounting protest centred on the planned appointment of Mr Ariel Sharon, Minister of Commerce and Industry. Critics complained that the appointment rehabilitated the former general.

Suicide units ordered against Israelis

From Robert Fisk, Beirut

Amid ever-increasing support from the Lebanese Government for the guerrillas attacking Israel's occupation army in southern Lebanon, Mr Nabih Berri, the Shia Muslim militia leader and a principle minister in President Gemayel's Cabinet, yesterday claimed that he was now issuing orders to guerrillas to make suicide assaults on the Israelis.

More than 50 young Lebanese had been prepared for such attacks. "We shall blow them [the Israelis] up and blow ourselves up with them," Mr Berri told a Shia Muslim rally in the Beirut suburb of Hay El-Selum.

Mr Berri's control on his own Amal militia has weakened over the past two months and his personal call for suicide attacks on the Israelis, which came at the very end of the rally and had men and women holding automatic weapons chanting *Allahu Akhbar* [God is great], may have been intended to increase his own personal political standing.

Nonetheless, Mr Berri is Minister of Justice and his support for the men now attacking the Israeli Army every day only parallels that given recently by Mr Rashid Karami, Mr Gemayel's Prime Minister.

"I challenge Israel to remain in southern Lebanon," he said. "I have begun issuing orders to more than 50 young men like Bilal Fahs."

Mr Fahs committed suicide by driving a car packed with explosives into an Israeli armoured personnel carrier three months ago.

Mr Berri said there was no point in seeking help against Israel at the United Nations after the US veto last week of a resolution condemning the Israelis in southern Lebanon.

"We should escalate the attacks until Israel goes to the United Nations to complain. We achieve victory only after Israel complains."

Whoever is organizing the guerrillas of the so-called Lebanese National Resistance Front has now opened an account for the movement in a Beirut bank, the number of which has been disclosed in a Lebannese magazine, while guerrillas are now giving carefully guarded interviews to Beirut newspapers about their war in the south.

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Chun returns home with little to show for historic visit to Japan

From David Watts, Tokyo

By the time Tokyo police began dismantling the tighest security seen for a foreign visitor the hosts appeared to be the main beneficiaries of the first visit by a Korean head of state in a thousand years.

The final communiqué inextricably linked stability in the Korean peninsula to peace in East Asia, including Japan, putting Tokyo squarely behind President Chun in the battle of wits with President Kim Il-Sung. But there was precious little else to take home.

One foreign diplomat said: "Even President Reagan got a present to take home in the yen-dollar agreement; and his visit was nothing like as historic as President Chun's."

The first clue that all was not well on purely bilateral issues came on the second day of the visit when President Chun, to the surprise of Japanese officials, changed the agenda.

Originally the situation on the Korean peninsula was to have been tackled during the first day's talks. The key issues of bilateral trade and the treatment of Koreans in Japan were to have been discussed by the two heads of government on the second day.

Instead, at the opening of the Friday meeting, the President told Mr Yasuhiro Nakasone, the Japanese Prime Minister, he would prefer to continue talking about security.

President Chun seems to have made the change not only because it was becoming clear that he would have little to show for discussions on the bilateral points but also because there were differences over the handling of North Korea.

In the end the Japanese promised to continue studying the question of Korean residents in Japan and offered more technological cooperation.

In their first discussion on the Korean peninsula Mr Nakasone emphasized the need to bring North Korea out of its isolation, something with which Japan is well-placed to assist, even though it has no diplomatic relations with Pyongyang.

That apparently set alarm bells ringing with the South Korean President, because he told Mr Nakasone to be cautious in approaching the North. The Southerners are afraid that Pyongyang will be "emboldemed" if the Japanese move too fast. Mr Soon Young Hong, President Chun's secretary for political affairs, said: "We now expect the Japanese to consult us even more closely.

The Japanese hosts tried to get things moving with their policy of softening up the North by inviting to a diplomatic reception the ambassadors of the only two countries which appear able to influence the unpredictable North – the Soviet Union and China. Both countries stayed away from the party, as did all the other countries on the Eastern block.

Although Japan was not able to play the go-between on this occasion it has retained its freedom of diplomatic action vis-à-vis the North.

On the day President Chun left the Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr Shintaro Abe, said he hoped negotiations for a new fishing agreement with North Korea would be resumed soon.

The most striking indication of the desire to lessen tensions in the peninsula came in the communiqué's reference to the shooting down of Korean Airlines flight 007.

Just as Korean Airlines has revamped its image with new colour schemes and a new name (Korean Air) so the two leaders merely "recalled" the incident of little more than a year ago and the Rangoon bombing.

They pledged to continue their efforts to prevent such things happening in the future, a statement peculiarly out of kilter with their joint agreement that North Korea is nothing if not unpredictable.

● 'SELL OUT' JIBE: North Korea yesterday rejected Japan's apology for its 35-rule over the Korean peninsula, and called president's Chun's visit to Japan a "disgraceful sell-out" (Reuter reports).

Land of drought and dissent

Revolutionary regime comes out of shadow

Ten years ago, on September 12, 1974 Emperor Haile Selassie was deposed and the ancient Ethiopian empire with its feudal society began the tortuous and often painful transition to a Marxist-Leninist state. Charles Harrison reports from Nairobi on its progress.

Revolutionary Ethiopia this week celebrates its first decade with the long-awaited launch of its first political party and the adoption of a constitution. These events mark the completion of 10 years of leadership by the Derg. The term means shadow in Amharic, and aptly conveys the Derg's faceless nature, especially in its early years when it was often difficult to say who was wielding power.

ETHIOPIA TEN YEARS ON
Part 1

Today a massive statue of Lenin dominates the centre of Addis Ababa, and the statues of the Emperor which formerly proclaimed the unique (but highly visible) leadership of those years have disappeared.

The Marxist-Leninist revolution began early in 1974 with student demonstrations against the inept handling of a famine relief operation. It led later to the loss of thousands of lives of students, workers and senior officials, as well as members of the imperial family and the old regime, in often pointless and indiscriminate purges.



Changing face of Ethiopia: The feudal regime of Emperor Haile Selassie (left) gave way a decade ago to the Marxist Leninist Lieutenant Mengistu.

Many members of the old regime were able to leave the country and are now living in exile. Some have gone back or have paid visits to relatives in Ethiopia and have not been molested.

The Coptic Church continues to function, and represents the strongest religious influence in Ethiopia.

Land and other assets are now nationalized, and state institutions on the Soviet model have taken shape. The feudal landlords have gone but the peasant farmers are still there. State farms even now account for a very small proportion of the agricultural land.

Ethiopia is suffering from a disastrous drought after years of uncertain rainfall. Its effects have been made worse by an increasing population and by poor farming and land-use practices. Millions are dependent on famine relief food, for which the Ethiopian Government is appealing to the international community.

Most of Ethiopia's 31 million population have little interest in political ideology. They welcomed the land nationalization which wiped out the feudal landlords, but they have tended to resent attempts to "organize" them ideologically or to change their traditional land-use systems.

Coffee is the main export, followed by cotton, tea, hides and skins and refined petroleum products (from the refinery at Assab on the Red Sea coast). Tourism, once a useful source of income, hardly exists, though there is great potential for its revival.

New industries have been developed, mainly with Soviet-block aid, including sugar, textiles, cement, edible oils and vehicle assembly. Ethiopia even produces its own wines, a legacy of the days of Italian influence.

The Committee to Organize a Workers' Party (Copwe), formed at the end of 1979, has taken five years to produce an acceptable framework. The Soviet Union has been pushing for the development of the party, and has been impatient at the delay.

Despite the strong Soviet influence, Ethiopia has been turning increasingly to the West for development aid. Compensation is now being paid for foreign businesses which were nationalized after the revolution, and the British group, Mitchell Cotts, has not only reached agreement on compensation for its former cotton plantations, but has received the first instalment.

The European Community is already the biggest aid donor, and the World Bank group has agreed to provide cash for agricultural and communications projects.

Tomorrow: Ethiopia's wars

European notebook

The cracked record starts to spin again



Like a cracked record the EEC has started to turn again after the summer break. "The community is running out of money. Britain is to blame," says the record. "Britain is to blame".

In fact Britian last week did deny the Community immediate access to the extra money the Commission says is exceptionally needed if the EEC is to obey its own laws and balance its books this year.

After two days of the verbal equivalent of Indian arm wrestling in Brussels, Britain still withstood the pressure from the other nine countries plus the Commission and refused to endorse extra money for the Community – yet.

Before it does so, Britain means to wring further concessions out of the Community. As Britin sees it, those concessions include important reforms which are in the best interests of the Community.

For Britain there are short and long-term issues at stake. The short-term issue is the promised rebates for 1983 and 1984 which Mrs Margaret Thatcher knows she must get if she is not to lose enormous face on the domestic political front.

But the long-term issue is the really important one. That is to agree a radical and meaningful reform of the way in which EEC spending is controlled. The reform was promised in vague outline at the Fontainbleu European summit in June but the words so far have as much bite as a good set of gums.

Britain is prepared to make a loan of £120m to the Community this year towards paying its bills but it will do so only once its short and long-term objectives have been achieved. It believes that at that price the deal would be a bargain.

The most important part of that bargain needs to be struck next weekend during an informal meeting of finance ministers in the Irish Republic. Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, will then have to try to make his nine opposite numbers accept a meaningful set of rules to control spending.

The signs for that so far are bad. The French gave a clear warning last week that they can never accept the kind of controls Britain insists are necessary. Other countries are also showing extreme reluctance to accept anything like as stringent controls as will be needed to get the agreement through the House of Commons.

But the need for budgetary reforms led Mrs Thatcher five years ago to launch her weary crusade to reform the EEC and she is unlikely to give way now at a time when she needs to show the miners that her resolve is infinite.

That means that the cracked "Britain is to blame" record is likely to be played more loudly and frequently than ever in the weeks to come in Brussels.

Ian Murray

Cambodia conflict worsens

From Neil Kelly
Bangkok

The fighting beteen Vietnam and resistance forces in Cambodia has worsened, according to Dr Willibald Pahr, the chairman of the United Nations International Conference on Kampuchea.

Speaking in Bangkok, Dr Pahr said he was concerned about the reported increase in the vietnamization of Cambodia. He understood more than half a million Vietnamese settlers were in the country.

Dr Pahr is in South-East Asia to put new ideas on the settling of the Cambodian problem to governments in the region. He said he had found complete support for one of them, an international restoration programme for Cambodia's ancient city, Angkor Wat, which he said would disappear if something were not done to stop the ravages of war and neglect.

Dr Pahr's idea is to have Angkor declared an open, neutral city free from military activities. He did not disclose his other proposals because he had not discussed them yet with all governments but together they might bring a Cambodian settlement a little way forward.

● HANOI: Mr Poul Hartling held talks here yesterday with Vietnam's Prime Minister, Mr Pham Van Dong, on the question of Indo-Chinese refugees (AFP reports).

Mr Hartling is visiting Ho Chi Minh City today to inspect six Cambodian refugee camps near by. He has also met here Mr Nguyen Co Thach, Vietnam Foreign Minister, and the Deputy Foreign Minister, Mr Ha Van Lau,

Typhoon hits Chinese factories

Peking (Reuter) – Typhoon Ike, which caused severe damage in the Philippines last week, has wreaked havoc in southern China, the semi-official domestic news agency China News Service, said yesterday.

It said 13 people were missing at sea off Beihai city after hurricane-force winds swept the coast of Guangxi region on Thursday, destroying fishing boats.

Factories and houses collapsed in Beihai and similar damage was reported in Qinzhou, Fangcheng and the area around the regional capital of Nanning, according to Guangxi radio.

Ike was the worst typhoon to hit Guangxi since 1954, the news agency said. It hit wide areas up to 95 miles inland, destroying 30,000 acres of sugar cane in Fangcheng county.

China pledges Hongkong church freedom

Peking (Reuter) – China will allow religious freedom in HongKong when it takes over in 1997 and local churches will run their own affairs, according to Mr Ji Pengfei, China's senior official for HongKong and Macao affairs.

"Religion in HongKong and the mainland will be on an equal footing with none subordinate to any others, and religious exchanges will be encouraged", he told a Protestant deligation from HongKong.

Mr Ji promised that all church social welfare institutions would be retained.

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INNER CITY VISIONS

Each great city has its wrong side of the tracks, where urban neglect is at its ugliest. Revitalizing these areas is a massive task. In London, such a wasteland is the South Bank, on the "wrong" side of the Thames. In a three-part series, top architects commissioned by The Times offer their rescue plans. Today, our architecture correspondent, Charles Knevitt, explains the scale of the problem.



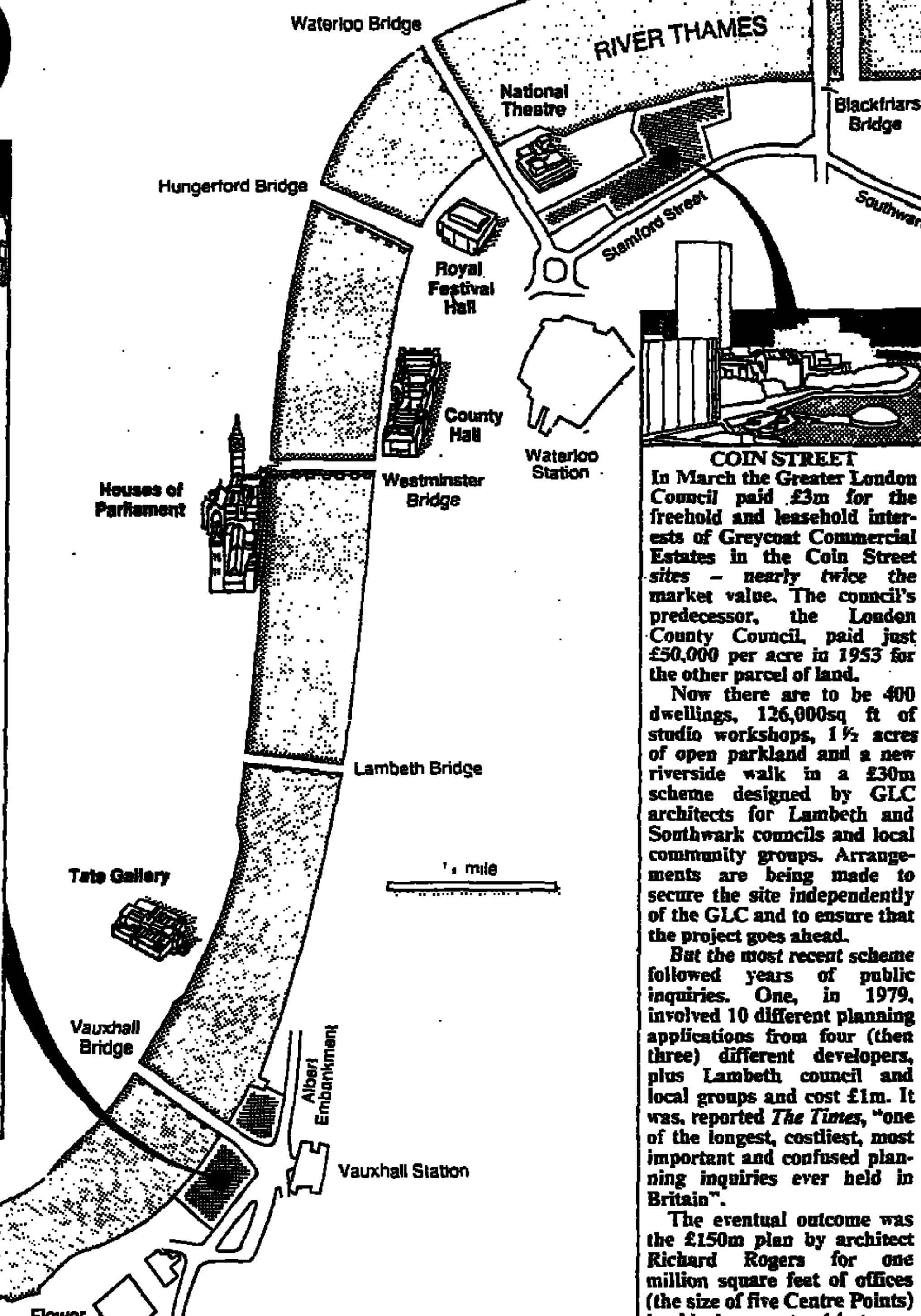
VAUXHALL CROSS

The Esso and Effra sites either side of Vauxhall Bridge have been blighted for more than 25 years. During that time there have been 17 *different schemes for the Esso* site, including the infamous 5000ft Green Giant office block, thrown out by the then *Environment* Secretary, Michael Heseltine.

Then three years ago, Mr Heseltine announced that if a developer held an architectural competition for the neighbouring sites, he would use special powers through *Parliament* to by-pass normal planning procedures. In July 1982 it was announced that architects Sebire, Alsop & Happold had beaten 127 other entrants with a series of huge glass towers for offices and housing on the river front.

But Mr Ronald Lyon, the property developer behind the scheme who represented Middle East investors, went into voluntary liquidation last year and the ambitious plan remains on the shelf.

Even using powers normally reserved for building power stations and setting up new town development corporations, the Environment Secretary could not ensure the future of the site, within view of the riverside terraces at the House of Commons.



COIN STREET

In March the Greater London *Council* paid £3m *for* the freehold and leasehold interests of Greycoat Commercial Estates in the Coin Street *sites – nearly twice* the market value. The council's predecessor, the London County Council, paid just *£50,000* per acre *in 1953* for the other parcel of land.

Now there are to be 400 dwellings, 126,000sq ft of studio workshops, 1½ acres of open parkland and a new riverside walk in a £30m scheme designed by GLC architects for Lambeth and Southwark councils and local community groups. Arrangements are being made to secure the site *independently* of the GLC and to ensure that the project goes ahead.

But the most recent scheme followed years of public *inquiries*. One, in 1979, involved 10 different planning applications from four (then three) different developers, plus Lambeth council and local groups and cost £1m. It was, reported *The Times*, "one of the longest, costliest, most important and confused planning *inquiries* ever held in Britain".

The eventual outcome was the £150m *plan* by architect Richard Rogers for one million square feet of offices (the size of five Centre Points) in blocks up to 14-storeys high in an arc stretching from behing the National Theatre to the river.

GLOBE THEATRE RECONSTRUCTION

The American film producer, Sam Wanamaker, is trying to raise £8m for phase one mostly in America, to build an exact replica of Shakespeare's Globe Theatre near its original site at Bankside. *Work could start next spring*.

Architect Theo Crosby, of Pentagram, has been working on the design of the new "big O" *for several years* and the comfort of the theatre-goers will be sacrificed for authenticity: the auditorium will be *opwn to the skies*, and there will be no electric lighting.

Associated with the reconstruction is a commercial office development of about 100,000sq ft, retail outlets and a restaurant. The plan went to a public inquiry in 1980 and was approved.

At the nearby Bankside Power Station, Battersea's younger brother and considered to be more distinguished than the listed "Colossus", Southwark council has plans to pull it down and build local authority housing there.

LONDON BRIDGE CITY

Demolition work is well underway at Hay's Wharf, the huge site between London Bridge and Tower Bridge, opposite the Tower of London, for construction to start on the first phase of the £200m scheme. The developer, St Martin's Property *Corporation*, *represents* the Kuwaiti royal family through the Kuwait Investment Office.

Over the next few years two million square feet of offices will be built – *equivalent to* 10 Centre Points. The first phase, of 800,000 sq ft, will be the workplace of 6,000 people. There will also be *housing*, shops and light industrial units on the site, although plans for local authority housing will not go ahead without the agreement of Southwark council.

The recent decision to start work follows the controversial *decision by the Environment* Secretary, Patrick Jenkin, to grant planning permission to the London Dockland Development Corporation, on behalf of St Matin's. Special powers were used which only apply to development corporations; and the scheme was approved before it was seen by the public.

London Bridge City is the latest in a series of schemes for the site. In 1971 there was a plan to flatten everything to make way for two hotels, 600 flats and an office development.

BUTLERS WHARF

Sir Terence Conran, chair*man of* Habitat-Mothercare, is the man behind the £30m plan to *transform* 12 acres of derelict warehouses at Butlers Wharf into a mixed *development* of flats, workshops, a museum, children's theatre, shops, an hotel and offices.

It received outline planning consent *from London* Dockland Development Corporation, and a contract was signed with the builder to start work, at the end of May, days before the imposition of *15 per cent* VAT would have made a large part of the project unviable. As it is, there are 17 VAT: exempt listed buildings.

The "Covent Garden style development", as it is being called, has been opposed by local people in the North Southwark Community Development Group. They say *that it should be used* to provide for 9,000 unemployed and homes for 2,000 families.

On the neighbouring New Concordia Wharf, another listed Victorian warehouse has been converted into flats.

The British habit of haphazard planning has created cities of great beauty by accident, and urban disaster areas by design – sometimes within the same few square miles. Small-scale thinking, and lack of vision have often resulted in failure to cope with the wider problems.

These problems may be *magnified and multiplied when* the metropolitan councils disappear. Britain will have no overall strategic authorities to *administer city planning* as a whole.

The South Bank of London is a vivid example of how a wasteland can spread in the heart of a great city. Too much planning of the wrong sort, particularly since the end of the Second World War, combined with commercial greed, political wrangling and bureaucratic sloth, *has produced a huge area* that is broken down, derelict and depressed.

How can it be revived?

The Times has commissioned some of the country's leading architects to submit their blueprints for action, and we will be publishing their ideas over the next two days. The architects are Peter Cook, Alison and Peter Smithson, Will Alsop and Ahrends, Burton & Koralek.

All of the proposals are radical. They *include dividing* the Thames with a transluscent wall, and creating a lagoon. Some of them are realizable in their entirety or in part. Each would require a single authority to execute their strategy.

When Michael Heseltine was aked a few years ago why he would not set up a strategic planning authority for the capital's riverside, *he replied*: "We are not building Haussmann's Paris". Yet Baron Haussmann's vision and conviction – even some of his ruthlessness – may be just what the South Bank needs.

The great cities of Europe have tried to preserve the best of the past and to ensure that, in building tomorrow's heritage, *they do not destroy the unique* sense of "place" which each enjoys. Mistakes occur, but usually they are the result of not enforcing policy, rather than being too vigorous in their application of it.

The same could be said of some British cities, including London.

Within the capital, unrestrained market forces and successful lobbying by vested interests have created soulless places and have denied a socially-enhancing "mix" of uses.

Think of London and most of the images which you conjure up are probably of public buildings on – or seen from – the Thames: the Houses of Parliament with Big Ben's clock tower; Somerset House; the dome of St Paul's; Tower Bridge. But turn your back on *all that* and look the other way, and what a different prospect: derelict sites, untouched for a quarter of a century; disused and broken wharves; *speculative* office blocks; forbidding grey bunkers which house the arts – an urban wasteland.

Where is the vision which could make something of all these complexities and contradictions? In a survey three years ago for the *Architects' Journal*, I discovered that there were 52 major developments planned for the riverside on the five mile stretch between Battersea and Bermondsey, worth some £1,200m and *including* more than 10 -million sq ft of offices. Yet much of it was unwelcomed, and certainly not strategically planned.

The South Bank has been looking for a role ever since the 1951 Festival of Britain. River traffic waned in the years that followed as trade moved downstream to Tilbury, leaving warehouses abandoned with only the memories and aromas of exotic cargoes. Between 1968 and 1981, the number of *operational wharves* dwindled from 138 to less than 35 and it has continued to decline. The Port of London Authority transferred its land to the Greater London Council and property speculators.

Two important decisions by the Government then paved the way for many of the schemes to redevelop the area: a height restriction of 100ft on any new building in the capital was removed in 1956 so that it became a *matter* for negotiation. This allowed the Shell building to soar 351ft over Waterloo, and led to plans for a *295ft tower at Hay's Wharf* and the infamous 500ft "Green Giant" plan for Vauxhall Cross.

Then, in January 1970, a few months before the public inquiry into the Greater London Development Plan, the GLC persuaded the Government to rezone huge areas of the riverside for offices, shops, hotels and housing. This was *overturned by the next Labour* administration at County Hall, which rezoned it for housing and set new height limits, only to revert to mixed use and high rise when the Tories were reelected in May 1977.

Policy switches such as this, and the constant battles between all the interested parties have ensured a bleak outlook for the South Bank since the War. In theory, at least, it is the GLC which is the strategic planning authoriy, working in consultation with the borough councils of Wandsworth, Lambeth and Southwark. *But even when* political allegiances coincide, that is no guarantee of agreement. Cedric Price's commission from the GLC to find a remedy for 270 acres of the "socially disinfected area" of riverside near Waterloo – many of the South Bank's problems in microcosm – fell victim to the conflict between two Labour-*controlled authorities*.

More recently, two other agencies have added to the confusion: the formation of the London *Dockland* Development Corporation in effect a mini new town development *corporation with wide-ranging* powers, which the Government imposed over the heads of the East London boroughs.

Its designated area originally stopped at Tower Bridge, but was later extended to include Hay's Wharf.

The other agency is central Government, which has intervened in two ways: by calling *public inquiries, the most* spectacularly inconclusive of which was for the Coin Street site next to the National Theatre in 1979. It involved 10 separate applications by three developers (a fourth withdrew shortly after it started), plus Lambeth council and the Waterloo Community Groups, lasted six months and cost about £1m. *The Times* called it "one of the longest, costliest and most important and confused planning inquiries ever held in Britain". The net result was Mr Heseltine, then Environment Secretary, turning *them all down and calling* another inquiry two years later.

The Government has also intervened in its use of special powers to try to by-pass the normal planning system entirely Such a case was when Mr Heseltine persuaded Parliament to grant permission to a huge development on two sites, (Esso and Effra) at Vauxhall Cross, *provided Mr Ronald Lyon, the* property developer, staged an architectural competition.

It was the first time such powers were used for a private, commercial development, rather than for some major public works such as a nuclear power station or motorway. In the end, Mr Lyon went into voluntary liquidation and the *plan was shelved. It was the seventeenth* post-war plan for the Esso site.

Current legislation to rid London of its strategic planning authority does not bode well for the future of the South Bank, *either. It is unlikely that a free* market will succeed where too much planning and a surfeit of bureaucratic interference have manifestly failed in the past.

To his great credit, Cedric Price has refused to be "de-*commissioned" from his Water*loo area study and works unfunded by the GLC.

His final proposals, expected shortly, will be an important ingredient for any future strategy. Similarly, the announcement *in July that* Battersea power station is to be turned into a £40-million fun palace must offer some hope for regenerating the whole area.

Perhaps the single most important factor in giving life *back to the South Bank is the* recognition that it has three roles to play, not one: as an area of national, metropolitan and local importance.

The South Bank visionaries

● Peter Cook started *Archigram* magazine, which he edited with Peter Greene, in 1961, and was a founding member of the Archigram Group which believed the future of architecture was through technology. His most famous projects include Plug-in City (1964-66), Instant City (1968-70) and Arcadia (1976-80) and a competition design for an entertainments centre in Monte Carlo. He lectures at the Architectural Association in London, and is *widely known as a writer*.

● Alison and Peter Smithson (right) are among the most influential post-war architects in *Britain*. They won *international* recognition for their competition-winning design in 1949 for a school at Hunstanton, Norfolk. Their other buildings include the Economist group of three buildings in St James's, London; and housing at Robin Hood Gardens, East London.

● Will Alsop (above) collected several awards while still a student, including second place in the Centre Pompidou, Paris, competition in 1971. He worked for Cedric Price before setting up his own practice, Alsop, Barnett & Lyall. The firm is best known for its competition-winning entry for Riverside Studios, Hammersmith. He lectures extensively in Britain.

● Peter Ahrends, (above) Richard Burton and Paul Koralek are awaiting the Environment Secretary's decision *on their controversial plans* to eextend the National, Gallery in Trafalgar Square, due later this month. Their buildings include Trinity College Library, Dublin; various projects for Keble College, Oxford; Chalvedon housing, Basildon.

Tomorrow

Transforming the South Bank into the London Lagoon, and the Lambeth Palace project.

moreover . . . Miles Kington

After being editor of *Punch*, Malcolm Muggeridge used to say that he had learnt one thing: humour can never be as funny as real life. The example he liked to quote was a talk Radio 3 billed as "The Place of the Potato in Folk Music".

He is right, of course, but there is another similar rule: anything that a humorist ever invents will already have been *invented in real life. I say this* with some feeling, because two weeks ago I suggested that I might make a fortune out of *introducing off-beat, not to say* risqué, Christmas cards. Ever since then I have been deluged with of-beat, not to say risqué, Christmas cards sent to me by kindly readers wishing to prove me wrong. Some are created by the readers themselves. All right, I was wrong. On the other hand, I now have enough cards to send next Christmas, and thanks to one and all.

I should have known better, because for a little while now I have been collecting things in real life which no humorist would dare to invent. It all started years ago at *Punch* when I spotted in a publishers *catalogue* a book with a title more or less as follows: "Aspects of Coal-mining Technology on the Duke of Newcastle's Estates, *1680-1825*". A funny writer might dare to invent that title, but he would not, as the publisher did, place it on the General Interest list.

I suppose the secret is that no matter how specialized you *think people can be*, you always underestimate them. If you invented a talk on Vegetables in Folk Music, you would then be stymied by the real specialized talk on the Potato in Folk Music. If I wanted to invent an unlikely holiday article, I would think, "A Holiday in Iran" sounded about right. Well, the *International Herald Tribune* went one better earlier this year and ran a genuine article entitled "Skiing Holidays in Iran". It is only fair to say that the author expressed reservations on the subject.

The latest issue of the Polish-based jazz magazine, *Forum*, has an unexpected feature entitles "Jazz in Siberia", though according to the article it is apparently easier to get jazz played the further you are from Moscow. However, when a Siberian vibraphonist was asked what influenced his playing had had, he answered regretfully: "I don't really know – I think I'm the only vibraphone player in the USSR."

Canongate, an enterprising Edinburgh firm, have recently issued the *New Testament in Scots*, but that is pretty mainstream compared to one of their latest books, *The Dutch Forts of Sri Lanka*. And that in turn pales into insignificance beside some of the entries in the entrancing Bulgarian Tourist *Calendar 1984*. My second favourite event is the "Contest for the Best Disc Jockey within the State Committee of Tourism". My favourite is "The thirty-sixth Congress of the International Federation of Esperantist Railwaymen.

As a final proof that life outstrips the humorist, you may *remember* a month ago I suggested that the Wrekin was a finer mountain than Mount Everest because, among other *things*, there was more litter on Mount Everest. This was only partly a joke; I have met people who have been up Everest and complained of the litter there, or even welcomed it as a way of recognizing other people's base camps.

But I was still taken aback to read in the *Herald Tribune* a fortnight later that a team of Nepalese police had been sent up Everest to clear the litter. While up there last month they radioed back to HQ that as they were so close to the top, they wanted to go on and climb the mountain, because few of them would ever get the chance again. Police HQ radioed furiously back that they were certainly not to, as a Dutch party was booked in for September 15, and the mountain had to be clear by then. The police squad seem to have turned a deaf ear to this and the last anyone heard they were on their way up to the top.

It's things like that that make people resign the editorship of *Punch*.

CONCISE CROSSWORD (No 441)



ACROSS:
1 Skewered dish (5)
4 Pig leather (7)
8 Coal gripper (5)
9 Round-domed building (7)
10 Sudden coma (8)
11 Spinal link (4)
13 Of LSD effect (11)
17 Italian capital (4)
18 Heavy club (8)
21 Field spear (7)
22 Raised strip (5)
23 Relate (7)
24 Invest (5)

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1 Soldier's holdall (6)
2 Lotto (5)
3 Early church style (8)
4 Beyond compare (3,10)
5 Barbarian (4)
6 Heyerdahl's reed boat (3,4)
7 Shade (6)
12 French policeman (8)
14 Russian tea urn (7)
15 Troy inhabitant (6)
16 Atchoo (6)
19 Finished (5)
20 Circus insect (4)

Recommended dictionary is the New Collins Concise

MONDAY PAGE

Term of trial for shoes

FIRST PERSON

I suppose it was asking for trouble to leave buying new shoes until the very last week before school term. But it had seemed sensible to wait until now, because, with the rate that my two children seemed to have grown lately, I couldn't trust them not to grow two sizes in as many weeks.

The shoe shops were obviously expecting a stampede though, and some even introduced a ticket system, so it was like queuing at the bacon counter in Tesco's. And, frankly, I think it would have been easier to find shoes to fit pigs' trotters.

Things had got off to a bad start even before the measuring. My son had, as always on these occasions, managed to wear socks with several holes in the toes.

However, I could tell from the look on her face that the sales lady felt she was one up already. They make themselves out to be such a superior breed – I suppose it's by virtue of all those certificates which hang on the wall, announcing that assistants W, X, Y and Z have been trained in the measuring of feet and the fitting of shoes.

Thanks to the certificates, the whole process has become a mystical ritual but it seems to me to be remarkably unhelpful when it comes to actually finding a suitable shoe. I mean, what is the point of determining the length and width of the feet with great precision when the shoes themselves turn out to be far from standard in size? Yes, you expect different manufacturers to vary somewhat from one another, but even with one single make, different designs and different lasts produce a completely different fit.

So it was very quickly back to the simple old process of trial and error, with proceedings gradually getting more and more fraught. All around me mothers were being reduced to the same state.

One who ventured to complain that the tape-gauge and the foot-machine didn't seem to produce the same results was told firmly that the machine was sometimes different because the feet tended to press down and splay out if you were standing up, and all this in a tone of voice which implied that standing was a rather silly thing to be doing. I must say, I thought that's what feet were for, myself.

I tried to assure my son he was no freak

Needless to say, I hadn't helped matters early on by vetoing half the shoes on display on account of their pointed toes and/or raised heels. My disparaging remarks about firms who make a whole selling spiel of the fact that they take care to fit shoes so as to allow the child's foot to grow naturally, but who still carry on designing and selling shoes with deforming points, didn't seem to go down too well either.

Fortunately, though, the children didn't seem to mind so much about my being a spoilsport and were far more concerned that I was embarrassing them in public again.

We finally hit on two possible pairs for my daughter but bitter complaints that the black patent pair hurt made me suspicious. I realized that they looked just like the last pair she got tired of, so I played for time and deferred the decision so as to concentrate on her brother.

I always imagined boys' shoes to be an altogether simpler thing, but nowadays they're not immune to the pointed toe syndrome either. The shoes we agreed on as being a good combination of style and sense turned out not to exist in either the right fitting or the required school regulation black, so we drew a blank.

In the time that it had taken to ascertain as much, my daughter had been prancing around in the red leather pair and had managed to scruff the heels. At least it speeded up the decision – we had no option but to take them. Well, half the battle was over, I told myself.

The other half was distinctly slower. As we trekked from shop to shop, I tried to reassure my son that he wasn't some kind of freak and that it was their fault not ours, but by now morale was getting low.

By the seventh shop we had, by a painful process of elimination, worked out that a size 6[illegible] in a shoe called Ace was the most likely to fit. But tracking [illegible] down seemed pretty [illegible].

When the young man who succeeded in producing the vital pair realized, first, that they fitted and, second, that we were going to buy them straight away, without any umming and aahing, he almost hugged us in delight. In a very long day, [illegible] must have been his only success story. So much for [illegible] certificates.

Mind you, another half hour and I'd have had to be certified.

Helen Ormond

Leading ladies off stage

How do actresses cope with their roles at home after the final curtain? Angela Wilkes found out

Pictures: Mike Abrahams and Nobby Clark

Theatrical myth would have us believe that the leading actress, having removed her make-up and signed autographs, heads for a West End nightspot and lingers over cocktails, admirers and a late dinner.

In reality it is more likely that she goes straight home for her second role of the night – that of mother. But, despite the headaches of weird hours, flagging stamina, finding babysitters and staying up all night with baby's teething problems when there are two shows the next day, this can be the most satisfying role of all.

Having a child has even helped their acting careers, said four of the actresses, five all currently appearing in major London productions, interviewed by *The Times*. The role of motherhood has given a new reason for all the wages and recognition chasing. As Nicola Pagett said "It gives you enormous confidence. You relax when you are working. It's still important – but it's not everything."

Most had assistance and said they could not have coped so well without the help of their "supportive", "liberated", "wonderful" partners. Two of these men were writers, one a painter, who all worked at home. Working in the theatre at night (matinees twice weekly) meant that mother and child could spend precious days together, provided she was able to pare down her own sleeping hours. All of them had successfully resumed their careers after pregnancy.



LISA EICHHORN, *31-year-old star of* Yanks *currently in* Golden Boy *at the Lyttelton is married to make up artist Ben Nye Junior. Their daughter, Emily Alexandra, is 30 months. Lisa has two stepchildren, who are at School in California, a farm in Connecticut and a house in Hammersmith, west London.*

"I am very lucky. I found a man who thinks I have a special talent and if you sometimes live 6,000 miles apart, you need that kind of support as well as any bloody-mindedness or willpower of your own. Ben and I rotated tasks until Emily was two. But she is the most reasonable child I have ever encountered and seems to thrive on our kind of *chaos and my varied routine.*

I make one very important assumption, that if I cope and give her all the love she needs, no matter where we are, then she'll cope as well. I have a very good, very experienced nanny, but she doesn't live in. When I'm not working in a show or on a film, I need to be with Emily. She has me a lot of the time. I'd hate to think that someone else was taking over – and when her dad isn't working in California, she has us all.

Morning time is very important and so, even if I didn't go to bed until 1am, I get up at 7am with Emily. Most phone calls and business meetings don't start until 10, so I have three whole hours with her. Most people believe they need more sleep than they actually do. And if I'm tired after doing two shows, I can always rest while she's asleep. Nanny comes in and puts Emily down to sleep before I leave for the theatre. And when I come back at night after 11, I always go in and tell Emily I'm back, even if she's asleep.

As long as you realize you have to make some changes, you can have a baby and a career. I think differently now I've had her – I feel more responsible.

If you can get your family into the spirit of your being an actress, you probably have the best kind of life. Emily often sits in the soundproof director's box at the Lyttelton and she's seen the play. She's often on movie sets with me. And she also has a very normal "everyday" life. Actresses are selfish by nature but she is happy when I am *happy and can do what I want* – at least for some hours of the day!"





DEBORAH NORTON, 39, *is in the Feydeau farce* A Little Motel on the Side *at the National's Olivier Theatre. Married to writer/actor John Fortune, she has two sons, Luke, 14 (left, and Emil, six. John has three children from a previous marriage, but they were elsewhere. She divides her time between a home in Essex and a flat in Camden Town.*

"Actresses get very depressed reading about women who run their households and children like clockwork, do a job and always have a spoonful of tahini at the ready. Thousands of us weep with frustration, because it's all down to money. If you live in a tiny flat, where does the live-in nanny go anyway?

You can't do much more than *basic* housework. I have a lady who comes in twice a week. My family throw their clothes down where they took them off.

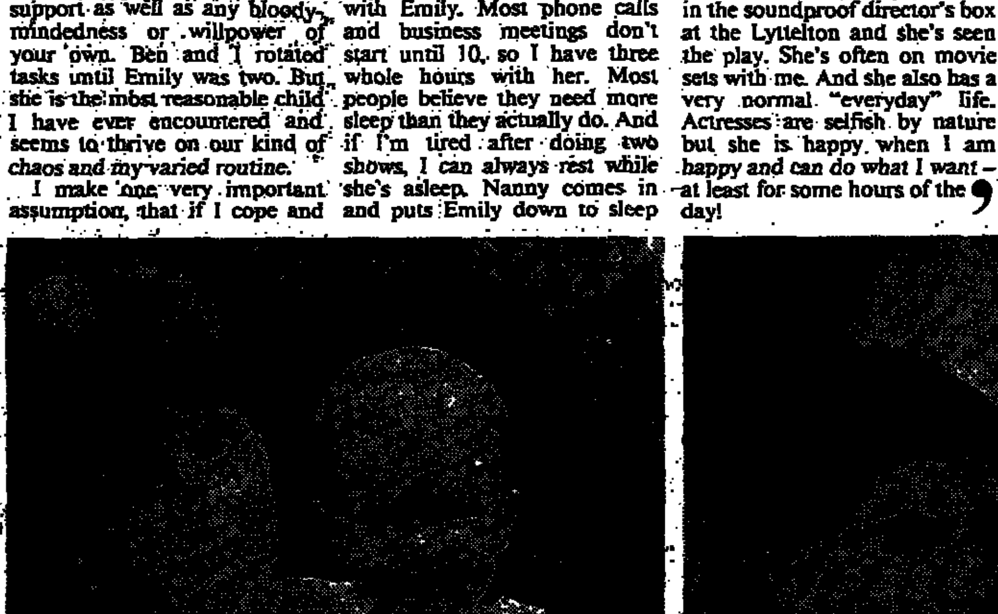
When I'm working, I live like a student lying in bed in the *morning watching old movies.* Emil went to stay with my mum in the week before the show opened, so I could stay calm. With my elder boy, *I had no* help at all, apart from an old lady upstairs who babysat. I was in a play for 18 months when he was two and it was absolutely *exhausting.*

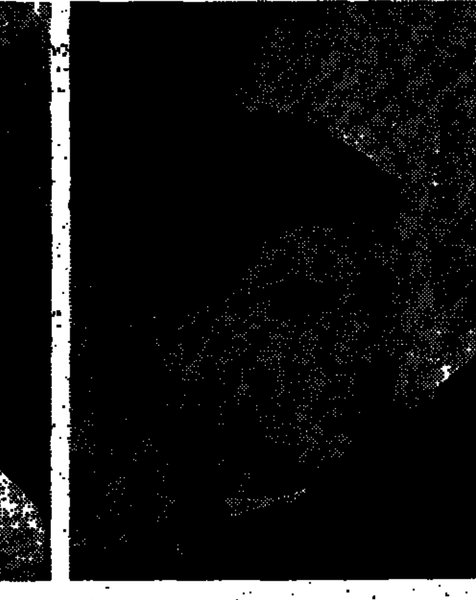
I used to live with a cameraman and decided to take Luke with me wherever I went – Israel, Malta – and put him in a school wherever we were. He's at a Quaker boarding school in Saffron Walden now.

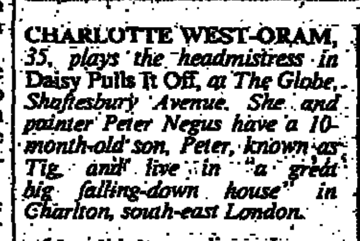
I had a couple of nannies for a while after Emil was born. *Both boys were breast fed and* my mother used to bring Emil to the dressing room for his feeds.

With this production, I get a babysitter – usually a reliable schoolgirl – for those nights when my husband isn't there. They arrive at about five and stay until I'm back from the theatre at 11.30. I can't remember the last time I went out after the show! I'm very lucky because my husband is absolutely wonderful and shares *everything totally.*

I get crazy with tiredness when I'm working and when I come home I go straight to bed. Then I either laugh or cry with the pleasure of being there – and sod the lot of them. I *black out until my husband's 13* parrots wake me in the morning."







CHARLOTTE WEST-ORAM, *35, plays the headmistress in* Daisy Pulls It Off, *at The Globe, Shaftesbury Avenue. She and painter Peter Negus have a 10-month-old son, Peter, known as Tig, and live in "a great big falling-down house" in Charlton, south-east London.*

"I didn't realize I was pregnant until the show was about to transfer to the West End from Southampton. The management were very nice. *And* wardrobe put special poppers in the sides of my 1920s-style dress, then dressed me in a dark patterned one to disguise the bulge.

Eventually, I was so big I had to wear my headmistresses gown all the time. I'm on stage a lot, but luckily not rushing around like the "girls". Even so I did get very tired. I left the show at six months, and did some supply teaching.

I couldn't have coped without Peter. He's the totally liberated male. We've had no domestic help at all and we don't even have relatives near by. Peter's done everything.

We take it in turns to get up to him in the morning – between 6.30 and 8.30 – and change his nappy.

While Peter works upstairs, I am a housewife and do exciting things like going to the shops and hanging nappies out. We have lunch together – I cook – and Peter works upstairs again while Tig and I go for a walk, visit friends and mess around. After tea, I put my sandwich in a Tupperware box and drive to the theatre.

I've become an absolute genius at cat-napping. I often have only about four hours' sleep. I'd like to spend more evenings at home like a normal family, but you can't have everything. I knew I wanted to come back to work when I could, and was lucky that I could rejoin the play. Unless you're very famous – and although I've always worked, I'm not – you can't stop work for a long time and hopefully I'll start again some time."



NICOLA PAGETT *lives in Sheen, south-west London, with her writer husband Graham Swannell and their five-year-old daughter, Eve. She is appearing in* Aren't We All *with Rex Harrison and Claudette Colbert at the Theatre Royal, Haymarket.*

"We don't have any help and never have, except for a while when Eve was 18 months. But she didn't like it much so we stopped it. It falls on my husband a lot. I think I struck gold with him.

I needed help in the early days, though because I'm very neat and it drove me crazy – I was doing housework at 4 am so that I could wake up and see the carpets had been hoovered. I didn't work while I was pregnant or for seven months after she was born.

But I felt guilty about having help at home, as if I was playing truant. This isn't a long show, so I'm usually home by about 10.15. I get up before 8 to take Eve to school and I can sleep between 1 and 3 if I need to.

But it's not that demanding a role and although I'm concentrating for a couple of hours, it isn't draining. I have two *matinees and sometimes Eve* comes with me – they are very nice in wardrobe – and hangs things up for me.

We eat in the middle of the day because I don't like cooking at night and I've never been a great one for a flurry of activity or lunches with girlfriends. I just like pottering about here on my bike.

I don't want any more children. I think it's better if you're straight with yourself. Children have a right to every single minute of your time for at least six months.

I'm incredibly lucky in that my husband works at home. And Eve is now at an age where she is my best friend. I've worked for that. It was murder when she was two, spending all my time trying to stop her killing herself with the Harpic. But suddenly all that changes. And the more I'm with her, the more I want to be."

GEORGIA BROWN – *the original Nancy in Lionel Bart's* Oliver! – *is in 42nd Street at the Theatre Royal, Drury Lane. She was divorced from film producer Gareth* (Star Wars, Julia, The Right Stuff) *Wigan a year ago and has a 15-year-old son, Jonathan, from the marriage.*

"Thank God, my nanny days are over. He hated everyone who came to the house. It's easier now – but also more difficult in some ways. We've been living in Los Angeles, and coming to London is a great culture shock.

I love London – I'm Cockney of Russian-Polish Jewish descent, born in Whitechapel. But Jonathan is a 6ft real Californian. He's used to the beach, scuba-diving, his friends coming round for a day at the pool.

We may be living behind the Ritz while we look for a flat, but that doesn't impress him. When he was little, I took him with me wherever I worked and he *practically lived in dressing* rooms. He loved being with me when he was small. Now he has become a social human being, he resents the fact that I've taken him away from his friends.

Last night, we were up until 4am talking. "Mother", he said, "You really don't understand. You've *ruined* my life."

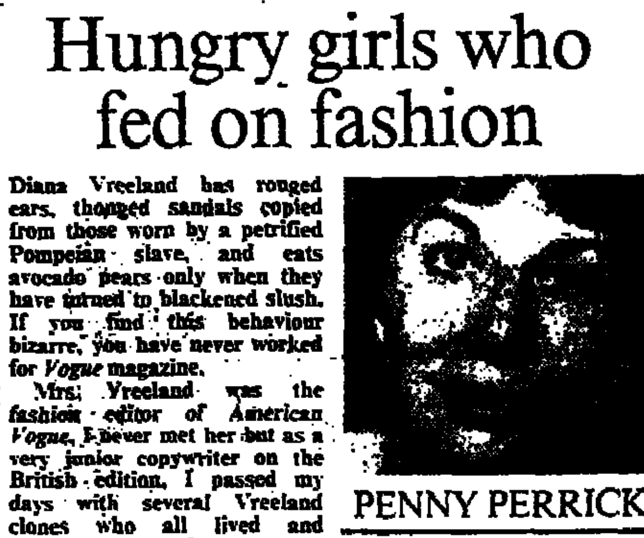
But he was delightful on the opening night. He sent me roses.

Once he gets into this year – he'll be going to the American School in St John's Wood – I *think* he'll really enjoy being here. When we lived in Coldwater Canyon, Beverly Hills, he was really locked in because he had to be picked up and driven everywhere. He can just catch a bus or tube here.

The weeks leading up to the opening were insane, with me in the theatre from 10 am until two the following morning.

I miss our dogs, too. It's driving me mad. All this to think about, everyone's egos and the dogs. *All I want* to do is to go to work!"

Hungry girls who fed on fashion



PENNY PERRICK

Diana Vreeland has rouged ears, thonged sandals copied from those worn by a petrified Pompeian slave, and eats avocado pears only when they have turned to blackened slush. If you find this behaviour bizarre, you have never worked for *Vogue* magazine.

Mrs Vreeland was the *fashion editor of American Vogue*. I never met her but as a very junior copywriter on the British edition, I passed my days with several Vreeland clones who all lived and dreamed clothes. Or as Mrs V. would have it: "Clothes, Clothes . . . CLOTHES".

It was hard for me to accept such dedicated followers of fashion since I had been brought up to believe that taking an interest in what one looked like was frivolous and shallow. When I brought copies of the magazine home my mother could hardly credit that grown-up women had spent a month putting together such nonsense and referred to the particular fashion expert who travelled the world in search of perfect accessories as "The Handkerchief Editor".

Goodness knows how she will react if she reads *DV**. Diana Vreeland's autobiographical memoir in which our heroine blithely recounts how her husband left her all alone in Paris *at the outbreak of the* Second World War because he knew that she would never be happy away from her beloved *couturiers and bespoke shoemakers.*

Knowing the stern stuff that fashion-obsessives are made of, *I am sure that, had Diana not* escaped in the nick of time, she would have faced the firing squad in her favourite Chanel suit and perfectly manicured nails and asked no favour of her executioners except that they remember to shine their jackboots.

The tone of the book, the italics, the capital letters and the exclamation marks, brought back that strangely cloistered world where style was all and the everyday business of life: *politics, passion and public* welfare were considered too dreary to think about.

Diana Vreeland's "Why don't you" column (Why don't you wash your child's hair in dead champagne? Why don't you cut down your old ermine wrap into a bathrobe?) had been extinct for years but its outrageous ghost lingered in the air. "Why don't you have your bosoms cut off?" suggested a senior *Vogue* editor in a voice like razor blades to a new recruit.

Dutifully, the girl *did* and although her reduced bust bore nasty surgical scars, she was no doubt compensated by the thought that her clothes hung better. The why-don't-you's, issued with such authority, were the reason why lowly *Vogue* minions like me sank our tiny salaries on personal adornment and could never afford a decent lunch.

It was the start of the youth cult and our senior fashion editors were the first to be seen wearing Yves St Laurent crocodile bomber jackets and Mary Quant shifts. From the back, with their swingy bobs, skinny legs and hoppity-skip way of walking they all looked 17 years old. Unfortunately, they forgot to have the facelifts to match so *the front view was a disappointment.*

When I saw Donald Sutherland follow a red souwestered child through the streets of Venice to find, when she turned to face him, that she was mad midget, I knew just how he felt.

Yet give or take a few neglected crow's-feet, life at *Vogue* was a Vreeland-type quest for perfection, a quest that I have now sloppily abandoned but with the utmost feelings of guilt.

So during the baking summer, I set out to work barelegged, wearing cheap T-shirt dresses and plastic sandals.

I felt cool and comfortable but if anyone from *Vogue* had seen me I would probably have died of shame. Part of the *Vogue* tradition after all concerns Margaret Case who, when she was dismissed as editor, threw herself out of a high window in an *exquisitely* chosen *outfit of* trenchcoat and well-cut trousers.

Had I been run over while *wearing plastic sandals, I know* that I would never have gone to heaven and met Balenciaga.

Talking about heaven, Richard Burton's death has concentrated my mind wonderfully on good funeral manners for the multi-married.

I mean, I suppose it *is* all right for Elizabeth Taylor to insist on being buried in her ex-husband's birthplace since *he* is staying put in Switzerland. But suppose he'd wanted to come home to Wales too? Wouldn't *that have been a bit awkward?*

To ponder these matters, I went for a walk in Brompton Cemetery, where pairs of young men with toothbrush moustaches and singlets were walking among the blackberries after taking a lager or two at The Coleherne and five young women with punk haircuts were arranging purple and white dahlias on Emmeline Pankhurst's beautiful art deco grave.

What I discovered was that in death the British have always been most accommodating. Augustus Henry Glossop Harris, Kt (1852-1896) lay peacefully beside his wife, Florence Edgcumbe, even though she had, after his death, married Edward Terry. Charles Pinoli (1856-1902) shared his private grave with its winged angel and lozenges of green glass with both his *first* wife Augusta and his second, Elizabeth Charlotte. And Mr and Mrs William Henry Peckham had brought in *Elizaabeth Clayfield*, "Dear friend of the above", to keep them company. It all seemed very amicable and extremely civilized.

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School leavers

The nuns at St Mary's, Ascot – *Britain's most exclusive Roman* Catholic convent where Princess Caroline of Monaco was educated – are to withdraw from the school's management in favour of lay staff. The move has been prompted by the serious decline in new recruits, as more young nuns in Britain feel *their commitment* is to teaching the poor in the Third World and other deprived areas, rather than educating the daughters of European aristocracy. Earlier this year the school was at the centre of a drug scandal, when an Austrian princess and three other wealthy teenagers were *expelled for taking* cannabis. Today the girls starting the new term will find the nuns have already moved out to a house in the grounds, while the school has been formed into a company and renamed St Mary School Ascot Trust. The nuns, whose order, the *Institute of the Blessed Virgin Mary* founded the school in 1885, will continue to act on the board of trustees and governors. The headmistress, Sister Mark Orchard, said that unless there is a sudden upsurge in teaching vocations to the school, the nuns could be forced to withdraw altogether. Fifty years ago, she said, there was only one lay teacher, a gym mistress. Today, out of a staff of 50, there are only eight teaching nuns.

Fever pitch

The striking miners of the Derbyshire village of Dinnington have prudently called off their Bassetlaw League cricket match against the non-striking miners of Thoresby in Notts *this Saturday. On an adjoining* football pitch at the very same time Arthur Scargill and Tony Benn are due to address a miners' rally. "It would be a recipe for a riot", says a local. "The knocks would be more than mere leather on willow."

●Hudddersfield Poly lecturer Andrew Taylor has just published a weighty book called *The Politics of the Yorkshire Miners* in which he manages to avoid any reference to his father Jack, president of the Yorkshire NUM. "I was just anxious to avoid personalities", he *tells me*.

Unvictorious

When the Victoria and Albert Museum agreed to stock the latest *Designers' Journal* at its bookstall, as part of the magazine's sponsorship of the current "Office of the Future" exhibition, the V & A did not know what its contents would be. It does now. A feature on exhibition design delivers these verdicts on recent efforts by the museum. The Boilerhouse's hand-tools show: "close to being a fiasco." Its exhibition "Taste": "Infamous … appalling clutter." The Rococo exhibition: "visually and intellectually incoherent." With sponsors like those, who needs critics?

Heavy metal

After being ridiculed by critics for his last horror film, *The Shining*, Stanley Kubrick is in London working on weightier stuff – an epic presentation of the Vietnam war. The film, to be called *The Full Metal Jacket*, will be based on combat reporter Gustaf Hasford's book, *The Short Timers*. But this time Kubrick is taking no chances: he is talking over the screenplay with Michael Herr, whose book *Dispatches* was described by John Le Carré as the best book he had read on "men and war in our time". Shooting may take place in this country, or possibly Spain, as Kubrick has a fear of flying.

● It is like hearing that the old lady who lived in a shoe has received an eviction order. Creditors meet in Dun Laoghaire today to sort out the affairs of Old Mother Hubbard Ltd.

Culture shock

Sir Anthony Parsons, who as Britain's United Nation's ambassador won many hearts by asking the *Prime minister not to interrupt him*, is about to turn on those who still wring their hands with guilt over the British Empire. Sir Anthony's lecture to the British Council later this month is entitled Vultures and Philistines. "If you go to former colonies and look around breath the *air, and ask yourself who had been* there, nine times out of 10 you wouldn't answer England", he tells me. He compares our philistine ways with, for example, France's continuing cultural hegemony in Senegal. "In 100 years we did not set up a single university in Beirut. Our education system was used to produce junior clerks; Nehru had to go to Cambridge." Sir Anthony expects his talk to cause howls of outrage, but he won't say from whom.

Cheque-book . . .

The NUJ has just spent £2,000 entertaining Russian journalist Rudolf Kolchanov and USSR Cultural Workers' Union official Viktor Slonin to a 10-day recce in Britain. The highspots: a visit to Robert Maxwell's *Daily Record* newspaper offices in Glasgow, a trip to Karl Marx's tomb in Highgate in London, and a Guinness reception in Ireland. Although our comrades sadly missed the TUC, I am told they had a ripping time. And so they should have. The president of the Indian Federation of Working Journalists, who is the present NUJ guest, only merits a visit around the £200 mark.

PHS

A bad time to clip BA's wings



On Thursday the Cabinet meets to decide the fate of British airline routes. Here Lord King, argues the case for the flag carrier

No one needs to teach me about competition. All my business life I have found that competition in the marketplace has created the environment, the strains and the pressures that have been essential to make companies become competitive, profitable and efficient. Businessmen who lose touch with the customer and are shielded from the *forces of the market will contribute little to* wealth creation within their own industries – and do little to raise the economic and living standards of the country.

When I was appointed to my post of chairman of British Airways I was charged with the task of transforming an ailing and unprofitable *state corporation into* a competitive efficient airline ready for *transfer* to the *private sector*. This aim is now within sight. It saddens me, therefore, that the present debate on the meaning of competition between airlines has been so distorted and often singularly ill-informed. *Some protagonists in Parliament, Whitehall* and Fleet Street, many of whom should know better, are attempting to persuade the Government to take meaures which could jeopardize the privatization of British Airways.

Let us be clear about the central core of *the proposals in the Civil Aviation* Authority's Report on airline competition policy. It is to deny the customer the choice to fly British Airways on a number of domestic and international routes, and to substitute the service of one British airline with the service of another British airline. *To use a simple example: rather than giving* village shoppers the choice of buying goods in a second village store, the villagers are told "we are shutting down the village store owned by Mr Smith and opening a new one by Mr Jones".

British Airways supports British Caledonian and other competition. We support deregulation of domestic services including fares and fear nothing from licencing independent airlines to compete with us on a wide range of routes.

There is one other issue involved which some people have tried to regard as trivial and irrelevant, which I as the chairman of British Airways cannot so easily push to one side: Transfers of routes as recommended by the CAA are unacceptable because they would mean further redundancies, they unbalance a hard-won and refined route structure and they would jeopardize privatization by damaging financial performance. Furthermore we had commitments and promises from three different ministers that *British Airways will suffer "no arbitrary* transfer of routes" before privatization. I believed those assurances and, in turn, gave my undertakings to the workforce.

Integrity of one's word is a vital necessity *in all forms of human relationship in all* walks of life. Good leadership in industry is conditional upon the credibility of, respect for, and loyalty to that leadership. How can you ask our people at British Airlines to continue our successful drive to become the world's best and most profitable airline if *their respect for our leadership is destroyed* by a breach of faith?

One central theme of this Government's economic and industrial strategy is to roll back the frontiers of the state by transferring nationalized industries into the private sector. Another is to instil the most competitive environment for industry, not only in the UK, but in the marketplace that *matters – the world.*

We are not so naive as to fail to recognize the difficulty of that task on the airline industry, where for complex historical reasons there is a legacy of regulation. The *new British Airways intends to lead British* aviation into a more competitive world in a *practical manner, serving the customer* better. That will not be achieved if the Government breaks its promises and transfers some of our assets to other airlines – consequently jeopardizing the *Government's plans to privatize British Airways in* early 1985.

It was an honour for me to have been asked by this Government to become chairman of British Airways. Under this Government, Britain has gained a new respect around the world, and British Airways is fast becoming the envy of the aviation world. We ask no more and no less than to be allowed to get on with the job.

David Butler examines Mrs Thatcher's electoral profile

September is the cruellest month

In sixteenth-century Britain, the New Year started in March. In twentieth-century Britain it begins in September. Children go back to a fresh school year and political parties hold their conferences.

Politicians make their New Year *resolutions – but political resol*utions are not about personal virtue, they are about electoral survival. Fear of the next election is the most universal emotion for democratic *representatives. The party confer*ence season is a moment when they reassess their chances.

In 1984, with a Parliament only 15 months old, the reassessment *may not* be very important. Despite some apocalyptic comment on Mr Scargill's intentions, there will not be a general election *in 1985* – or in 1986. And one year or two years hence, the entrails may read very differently. Nonetheless, politicians' behaviour is enormously con*ditioned by how high they are riding* in the polls.

Today, with the Social Democrats in session at Buxton and the Liberals about to gather in Bournemouth, and with *Labour at Blackpool* and the Conservatives at Brighton in the offing, how is Margaret Thatcher faring electorally?

Voter reaction to the parties can *be measured in various ways:* by the European elections, by parliamentary by-elections, by local elections, or by the opinion polls. The best news for the Conservatives dates *from June 14 and the European* contest. The Conservatives defeated Labour by 45 to 32 in seats and by 40 per cent to 36 per cent of the votes.

General Election	Swing against Government 15 months later
1950	−5½%
1951	−2 %
1955	−4 %
1959	−1½%
1964	+1½%
1966	0–½%
1970	−9½%
1974 Feb	−2 %
1974 Oct	−4 %
1979	−7½%
1983	−7½%

The next most cheering message for Mrs Thatcher comes from the *opinion polls. The last three* published surveys, when averaged, put the Conservatives almost level with Labour near to 40 per cent and left the Alliance at just half that level. In only two of the last 10 Parliaments has a government at this stage actually been ahead of the *principal opposition party.*

Governments, with one exception in 1964, have always lost ground. This year Mrs Thatcher's has lost as much as she did in 1979-80 and *more than any other government* except Mr Heath's in 1970. However, with her record 14 per cent margin in 1983, she had more ground to play on.

There is another special factor in the present situation. From 1950 to 1980 the third party, the Liberals, never had more than 10 per cent support at the moment when these swings were calculated. Today, the *Alliance stands at 20 per cent and, as* the MORI Poll in *The Sunday Times* suggested yesterday, the Alliance has great potential.

If all Conservative and Labour voters who would like to see a *full* Liberal/SDP merger switched to the Alliance, its support would double. We may not be convinced by such "iffy" evidence, but we have to *recognize that we are not free from* the volatility that was so manifest in 1980-1982.

On May 3, when most of the country chose councillors, Labour gained seats, but the Conservatives did not do as badly as they feared, nor did the Alliance.

However, in July, local by-elections told a different story. There *were 24 wards, scattered about the* country where there were comparable three-cornered by-elections. The aggregate outcome was a dead heat: Conservative, Labour and Alliance each won between 32 per cent and 33 per cent of the vote.

Other indications come from the *Westminster by-elections.* There have been six since Mrs Thatcher won in June 1983, and the collective outcome has been:

Party	Seats	Votes
Con	3	32%
Lab	2	*29%*
Alliance	1	35%

The Alliance fared poorly in the European elections and the opinion *polls, but when it could muster its* forces in by-elections, the picture has been different. Portsmouth South, held on the same day as the European elections, offered the SDP a triumph equal to that of Shirley Williams's at Crosby in 1981.

A senior Conservative remarked last July: "The European elections? What were they? I've forgotten them – but I see that damned fellow from *Portsmouth around here every day!*"

All these psephological indicators *have their influence on mor*ale but, 15 months into a parliament, it is futile to interpret the politics of Britain in narrowly psephological terms. There are large things *happening nationally which will* only slowly reveal their impact on the mind of the electorate. The *miners'* strike is not an epiphenomenal affair. That, once settled, will be forgotten.

The published opinion polls to date have done little to monitor these reactions, especially reactions over time. Yet between the lines of a MORI *report* in *The Sunday Times* of September 2 there were some significant indicators if read in conjunction with the comparable *Sunday Times* story last June.

They may do much to explain the coal board's attitude in recent weeks. (For it is reported to be doing *its own regular private monitoring* through Opinion Research and Communications Ltd). MORI recorded some clear movements over the last two months. There has been a five per cent swing towards the coal board in terms of sympathy – by 46 per cent to 30 per cent the *public now say they feel more on the* side of the board than of the NUM:

There has been a 2 per cent swing towards Ian MacGregor in answer to the question: "Do you think well or badly of.......?" (August: Well, 38 per cent. Badly, 47 per cent) and a 3 per cent swing against Arthur Scargill (August: Well, 14 per cent; Badly, 79 *per cent). The public now* overwhelmingly (67 per cent) puts the principal blame for violence on Mr Scargill and the miners, and even more overwhelmingly (92 per cent *to 5 per cent) wants a miners'* ballot.

Neil Kinnock, despite distancing himself discreetly from Mr Scargill and condemning violence, has suffered. For the first time, more are dissatisfied than satisfied with his performance as Labour leader. (Satisfied 34 per cent, Dissatisfied 41 per cent).

Since the strike began, Mrs Thatcher has fallen behind in the balance of satisfaction about her performance as prime minister. The latest figures are Satisfied 41 per cent, Dissatisfied 52 per cent. In the last two months there has been a 9 per cent increase to 70 per cent in the number who believed she should *intervene in the miners' strike.*

The odd thing about the party's standing in the polls over the last four months is that they have been so stable. The 40-40-20 balance between the three parties has persisted. Labour support has neither increased nor fallen away despite all the Government's troubles. The Alliance, with its popular leaders and its studious moderation, has failed to gain any significant benefit from the intransigence of *Mrs Thatcher on one side* and organized labour on the other.

Nothing in recent electoral history gives reason to suppose that the current stability will last. With a volatile electorate uneasily watching a national crisis, anything can happen. The parties and their leaders go into the new political year with everything to play for.

Figures compiled by David Cowling.



A Labour Party conference. Like going back to school, who will get the highest marks?

Fabius steals the centre's show

Paris

The opposition is more hopelessly divided among itself than at any time since the Socialists came to power three years ago. Confronted by Laurent Fabius's new social-democratic style of government it does not know which way to turn, and is desperately flailing out in all directions, often contradicting itself and *making* foolish tactical blunders.

Only two months ago it was the Socialists who had their backs against the wall, having seen their support in the country slump to 21 per cent. The opposition was riding high, gleefully paralysing proceed*ings in parliament*, and *predicting* the imminent downfall ot the government.

The electorate's confidence in the government has been restored in the intervening months. But the opposition has realized that it is not benefiting from the continuing all-time low in President Mitterrand's popularity. It is now actually in danger of losing some of its traditional support to the new, young, dynamic prime minister, whose message of modernization and reconciliation seems to have struck a chord among the electorate.

The opposition is placed in a particularly awkward quandary by the fact that the left seems to have stolen many of its policies. How can *it* attack the government effectively when the latter is busy cutting taxes, not just for the poor but for the rich as well, calling for special rewards for merit in schools and factories, and when it is inveighing against the rise in crime.

The opposition has tried to cry victory each time there is an apparent step-down by the government. But instead it seems to be the government which has reaped the rewards for having shown a laudable sense of pragmatism and desire for appeasement. *"Decrispation"*, a *word which does not officially exist* in French, but which roughly means "reduction in tensions", has become the order of the day.

Deprived of the support of the *communists*. Mitterrand has gone *in* search of the elusive centre ground in French politics as others have done before him, albeit with marked lack of success. At the same time, his aim seems to be to weaken the opposition by splitting it asunder, and in that he seems to be having greater success.

Part of the opposition, Raymond Barre among them, now feels that it is better to give the government credit where credit is due, and thereby keep on its side its more moderate supporters who might otherwise *have been seduced by* Fabius' sirens. Another part, including Jacques Chirac, leader of the *Rassemblement* pour le Republique (RPR), fears the continued erosion of its right wing by the extreme-right National Front, and has therefore decided to *increase* the vigour of its attacks.

The division is by no means always along traditional party lines. Leading members of both the main opposition parties, often up-and-coming young deputies in their late thirties and early forties, are among *those in the new "soft" right who* fear, however incredible it may seem to many, that the opposition might still lose the parliamentary elections in 1986 unless it rejuvenates and modernizes its image, as the Socialists have done, constructs a positive programme, and adopts a more constructive and responsible attitude towards the government.

"The opposition cannot simply go to sleep for the next 18 months, relying on the failure of the government's economic policies and a continuation of the collapse of the Socialist support", says Michel Noir, RPR deputy for Lyons, adding in a sideswipe at his own leader.

The seriousness of the present upheavals within the opposition is *underlined by the public castigation* of people like Michel Noir as "traitors" and "collaborators" by Bernard Pons, general secretary of RPR. Following Fabius's highly successful television performance *last week, Pons called on* the opposition to remain "calm and extremely vigilant" in the face of the prime minister's "Operation Charm", and to judge the government on its acts, not its proposals.

Meanwhile, carried along by the new tide of moderation and plain-speaking, Raymond Barre's star continues to rise, so that he is now neck and neck with Jacques Chirac *in the opinion polls*, and indeed is sometimes actually out in front. For a long time considered an outsider in the leadership race, Valery Giscard d'Estaing's former prime minister still leads no particular party. But he has built up a formidable network of people drawn from all parties who are devoted to him, and who are quietly working for his return to power.

Mitterrand therefore faces tough competition in his courtship of the *political* centre. Furthermore, it can be dangerous game, as Giscard found out. There are already grumbles on the left that the party which promised to break with capitalism has ended up breaking with socialism, and that Mitterand is no longer carrying out the policy for which he was elected. Giscard did the same, deserting the far right in order to seduce the left, and he paid dearly for it. Mitterrand may find that he has opened up the centre only to have it taken away at the last minute by the new "soft" right.

Diana Geddes

Anne Sofer

Let's market the party in sepia

In the coverage that David Owen's book *A Future That Will Work* has had in the last two weeks, commentators have taken the opportunity to give the SDP plenty of advice on where we should be going. Though unsolicited it is all very welcome, I am sure, and I hope they go on doing it. My eye was particularly caught by *The Economist*.

The appeal of the SDP, says *The Economist*, is or should be to "the *memory* of the last significant British social group that could not easily be denied in class terms – the 1880-1940 genteel, provincial, book-and-music-lovers, who voted Liberal in some places, Labour in others". It was a group whose values, the review goes on to say, "deserve great respect."

Now, despite the flattering com*ment and* nostalgic charm of the comparison, I am not sure I like that. Should policies for the future appeal to memories of the past? We do not, after all, want to market our party like a Hovis advertisement, with sepia edges and comfortable elderly voices recalling the better, *simpler times of the past*. And do we in fact share the values of those people?

Pondering all this, I suddenly remembered a piece of family memorabilia that is in my possession. This is the "Album" kept by my grandmother, who was brought up in Stockton-on-Tees in a family very much like that described, while she was at teacher training college in the 1890s.

The very practice of keeping an album of that sort says something about values of the period. It is a leather-bound inch-thick volume, with pages in different pale colours, on which girls would get their friends to inscribe messages or draw sketches as a farewell tribute. The *practice* survived, in a degenerate form, in my own school days in the 1950s. By then the messages were very brief, perhaps only "All the best" and a signature; indeed the books were more often by then called merely "autograph books".

The tributes of my grandmother's friends had been, by contrast, laboriously worked on. Poems – by Longfellow, Tennyson, Robert Louis Stevenson – were faultlessly transcribed to cover a whole page or more, and then embellished with meticulous line drawings of flowers *and birds*.

The poems chosen were all of the *inspirational* and morally earnest sort (only one facetious contribution, "Ye Ode to ye South Dormitory", lowers the tone). By far the most common message is the *seriousness of work* – all work and clearly not just paid employment – and its place in an implied grand purpose. "All are architects of Fate, working in these walls of time", starts *The Builders* by Longfellow; and the sentiment is echoed in a passage from Carlyle: "All true Work is sacred; in all true work, were it but true hand-labour, there is something of divineness."

Even those whose literary taste was not so elevated chose verses with the same theme. The excruciating "Song of the Workers" – not quite the title one would give it nowadays – is an example.

Make the most of life, girls!
As you go along,
Do not dream, at labour pouting,
That life is just a summer outing
Filled with fun and song.

There is also a certain amount of late Victorian soul-searching – the sort of lines that always remind me of a deep-bosomed contralto drawing a very large breath:

Ah! it is not the sea
It is not the sea that sinks and shelves
But ourselves . . .

Now were Ethel and Mabel and Amy and Florence all really so deadly serious? There is a group photograph in the album, and they all look very jolly, not to say sexy, in their boaters and high stiff collars and leg-of-mutton sleeves. And furthermore, I assume that most of the poems came from anthologies specially compiled for the purpose, and were not individually culled from the training college library. There was a large element of convention in it all.

And yet looking back into that piercing gaze, admiring that confident and delicate penmanship, thinking of – say – Gertrude, settling stiff-backed at the desk in the lecture hall, choosing a fragment of Burns' quaintness ("Yes, that will be just right for Hilda") and then spending all evening turning up the lamp as darkness settled over the North Yorkshire hills, decorating the page with a drawing of the beech-nuts they had gathered on their last nature ramble – no, I can't believe that all that sentiment was only skin-deep.

So maybe I should take it back about the Hovis advertisement. We could do with – *any* political party could do with – Emily and Gertrude and Jessie and Grace in the party. We could do with Edith too, who would make a beautiful copy of her contributions for the committee room wall:

Do the work that's nearest,
Though it's dull at whiles,
Helping, when you meet them,
Lame dogs over stiles.

And it would even be worth going to considerable lengths to make sure that nobody said, "Trouble is, dogs don't have the vote", or made some crack about the animal rights lobby in her hearing.

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James Reston

How Moscow helps Mr Reagan

Washington

To the editors of Tass, *Pravda, Izvestia* and Radio Moscow from *the US Republican National Committee*:

This is just a note to thank you, on behalf of President Reagan, for your assistance in his reelection campaign. Your hostility to him has been as helpful to us as your opposition was to Chancellor Kohl in the West German elections.

As you have noted in your columns and broadcasts, we have some problems over here. We have a *lot of people out of work*, the farmers are unhappy as usual, interest rates are going up again, and if it had not been for you the Republican Party and President Reagan might have been in trouble in this election.

From the Republican point of view, your timing has been perfect. Your policy towards the Polish *people has brought many Catholics* to the Republican side. Your Middle East policy has been so vicious to *Israel that many Jews in the big* electoral states here are beginning to think that even Mr Reagan's anti-communist policy is not too bad. And your boycott of the Olympics has been even more helpful.

Frankly, we were a little worried that your athletes and the East Germans might have won more gold medals at Los Angeles than anybody else. On worldwide television, many people might reasonably have begun to say, these communists can produce not only nuclear missiles but also remarkable young men and women. So we have to thank you for your absence.

Also, thanks for your policy in Central America. We did not like your invasion of Afghanistan, but we understood that you feared for the security of your borders and we thought you would also understand our anxiety *for the security of the* region south of the United States in Central America. But you and your bearded friend in Cuba kept shoving us with your weapons and in the process you have almost managed to do what we at the Republican National Committee and President Reagan himself could not do – bring voters to our side and pick up the *independents and even some the* Democrats.

At the *Republican* National Committee, we are also grateful to you for your editorials and broadcasts. (Who writes this nonsense? You're lucky that most Americans *don't read or hear them*, but of course we monitor your garbage night and day.) You complain in your press and radio about Mr Reagan's rhetoric, about how he condemns the Soviet Union's "evil empire" that would "lie, cheat and steal" *to achieve its political* objectives. But your charges against him and the capitalist system are just as bad, and while he has held his tongue lately, your personal attacks *on him have become more strident*, personal and vicious. This is just what the Republicans need.

For you are saying quite serious things. Don't pay any attention to *the president's attempts* to get the nuclear arms control talks going again at Geneva.

Every human cruelty, every condemnation of Mr Reagan, every slur on his character or his policy will probably be worth a million votes for the Republican ticket in November. The Republican National Committee may need *them*.

It will be interesting to see what *the reaction of the American voters* will be to this vicious Soviet opposition to Mr Reagan and his *policies. Will* they support the president under attack from Moscow? Probably they will. Mr Reagan is in a no-lose situation. If the Soviets oppose his anti-Soviet policies, the voters are likely to back him up, and if the Soviets compromise with him, the voters are likely to think that Mr Reagan's anti-communist policies have worked.

Still, there is a question that Mr Reagan may have ignored, which is the possibility of some kind of compromise agreement – what they have in common, rather than what puts them apart. Should they not remember their common successes of the past – their war against the Nazis, their treaty promises to abide by the principles of the United Nations on the peaceful settlement of disputes, and their treaty agreements to *control the spread* of nuclear weapons?

Another thing they *have forgotten* to remember is that whatever their differences, these two nuclear giants have actually avoided a major war in the world for almost half a century, while there were only 20 years between the two tragic world wars of the first half of the century.

But, looking at the editorials of Tass, *Pravda* and *Izvestia*, and listening to Radio Moscow, that is not what we're reading or hearing. We are hearing and reading the news of conflict and confrontation, the troubles of the past, rather than the hope of reconciliation and reason in the coming years of the end of the century.



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ACROSS THE CHANNEL

If a third world war were to break out in Europe the strength of the British Army of the Rhine would under current plans have to be more than doubled by importing regular and reserve units from home. This reinforcement will be rehearsed on an unprecedented scale during the next seven days when up to 56,000 troops will cross the Channel by sea and air.

At one time it looked as if the hostilities would begin on this side of the water as soldiers hurrying to the sound of gunfire found their path impeded by a thin red line of striking dockers. That threat would seem to have receded in that even at those ports where the strike continues advance parties of troops have been able to board the ships unhindered. So far, one might say, so good.

This is just as well. Not only does Lionheart represent an investment of £31 million, but its objective, the reinforcement of BAOR is one of the three central considerations of British defence policy in the event of a continental war – the others being the protection of UK air space and freedom of navigation through the North Atlantic.

Some things are hard, if not impossible, to simulate. The speed and efficiency with which Western leaders decide their response in the pre-war period of tension is probably the most important single factor but also the most difficult to predict. One can only make worst case analyses. Nor can one easily enact the logistic chaos in Western Europe as refugees and returning families jam the roads, *airports and railheads, although* the Lionheart staff have tried to make it as realistic as possible by rationing the time spent by convoys on the roads.

BAOR itself, absorbing as much as one-third of the army's fighting strength and costing more than £2,000 million a year to run, is settling down after the latest of many structural alterations since the last war. New equipment is being introduced, fresh Nato estimates suggest that the weapons gap between East and West is not quite as fearsome as was once thought and morale is generally looking up. The restructuring means that the whole of one division and one entire brigade from another have to be carried across the Channel before battle can commence. But the numbers in situ in Rhine Army have actually gone up, not down as they should, and the structural alterations are supposed to provide more defence in depth.

Forty years on from D-Day, with the memories of last June's celebrations still fresh in the mind, we are seeing something like it all over again. Some of the participants then have since changed sides, but the scene is still familiar, while talks aimed at reducing the number of troops in central Europe remain deadlocked after eleven years. There are, moreover, echoes from a still more distant age as Whitehall predicts yet another short war, thirty days at the most, with scant provision to replenish the ranks if the forecast once again proved wrong.

Are we *indeed rehearsing* for the right kind of war? The uneasy status quo in central Europe, the large forces on either side, the failure to negotiate reductions and the surly suspicion with which the Soviet Union views the West as well as its own people, are such that only a statesman of unusual *confidence* could discount the fears which still drive Western governments, particularly in West Germany and the beleaguered city of Berlin. The risk and the consequences of conflict, however accidentally ignited, are too great to be lightly dismissed; even if the annual engagement of Blue versus Orange forces on the German plain is beginning to look like a symbol of Western political commitment rather than a convincing representation of the threat.

The talks on Mutual Balanced Force Reductions are still paralysed by a dispute over data and the Conference on Disarmament in Europe has had no more success since it opened nine *months ago in Stockholm*. The nervousness engendered by military might thus lives on in Europe. The British Army must rely heavily on reserves, and policy keeps the reserves pitifully inadequate. The reserves must *test their competence from time* to time on the central European battlefield, and must exercise their ability to get there. Lionheart and its successors, anachronistic as they appear in some ways, are an important element in preparedness.

FROM YUKON TO TIERRA DEL FUEGO

The condition of the Christian religion in the Americas is receiving unusual attention at the present moment. In the north the Pope has just kissed the ground of Quebec to begin one of the longest of the many pastoral journeys of his pontificate. Further to the South a figure of even greater earthly consequence is on the campaign trail with a clear idea of right *religion as good for America, and* an aspiration to bring the Lord back into the schoolroom. Still further to the South the Roman Catholic church in Latin America anxiously awaits clarification of the Vatican's moves against liberation theologies and its explicit warnings about the incompatibility of priestly status and political office.

The Roman church in Canada has preoccupations of its own, especially French Canada. The Pope may well be able to do something to dispel the feeling of disorientation and the falling away of observance that are a consequence of the transformation that has come upon the post-conciliar church. But the retirement of Mr Trudeau and the rout of his party at the polls will not have severed Canadian intercourse with the third world or extinguished missionary concern for its peoples. The Pope is likely to find a lively interest there in the Vatican's recent initiatives towards Central and South America.

Father Leonardo Boff, who travelled from Brazil to Rome to explain some of his writings that have been called in question, has expressed *himself pleased* with the way his examination went with Cardinal Ratzinger on behalf of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. Father Boff, a Franciscan, the wholeheartedness if not entirely the manner of whose commitment to the poor would have been intelligible to the founder of his *order*, is probably *one of those* who would dispute the contention of Cardinal Ratzinger's instruction published last week that you cannot borrow from Marxism or align yourself with Marxists without getting into it up to the neck.

The cardinal argued with some force that Marxism is an "epistemologically unique complex". The parts cannot be separated. "If one tries to take only one part, say, the analysis, one ends up having to accept the entire ideology." To attempt to integrate into theology an analysis whose criterion of interpretation depends on atheistical assumptions is to involve oneself in contradictions. Acceptance of the theory of the class struggle entails participation in it, which leads in turn to perversion of the Christian message. The church of the people becomes the church of the proletarian class. The theological virtues of faith, hope and charity become political imperatives of fidelity to history, confidence in the future, and option for the poor. Soon the sacramental and hierarchical structure of the church itself is challenged.

These tendencies are very plain, as is the duty to warn against them. It is more questionable whether there is an inescapable progression from the first to the last stages. Many who teach and *practise* a theology of liberation in Central and South America with a Christian faith and conscience would deny the implication. It smacks a little more of the prie-dieu than the pampas.

Yet there is another line of argument in the cardinal's instruction that it is less easy to gainsay. "The overthrow by means of revolutionary violence of structures which generate violence is not ipso facto the beginning of a just regime . . . millions of our own contemporaries legitimately yearn to recover those basic freedoms of which they were deprived by totalitarian and atheistic regimes which came to power . . . precisely in the name of the liberation of the people."

That is not a theological judgment but an observation of political fact. The practitioners of liberation theology ignore it at their peril and the peril of those whose interest they have at heart. Those who are duty-*bound to curb the excesses ought* for their part to be very careful not to snuff out the authentic evangelical spirit which is the more important part of this remarkable phenomenon.

THE CIVIL SERVICE DEBATE

Last week at a conference in York University, scholars and journalists were joined by senior civil servants, who enjoy the privilege of a ringside seat in the committee rooms where political and financial battles are fought, in an attempt to winnow out what if anything of significance has been produced by the debate about Civil Service reform in the last decade and what, if anything, it might lead to.

The first thing to appreciate about the Civil Service debate is *that it* is a branch of a much bigger one – the decline-of-Britain debate which has been going on since the agricultural depression of the 1880s. Without the sputtering of the country's economic and industrial performance, the tension it has brought to society and the fear of even more severe dislocation it has engendered, the performance and power of the permanent bureaucracy would not have *developed as an issue.*

Until recently the Civil Service had only a walk-on part in the "decline" literature. For example, it was cited in Professor Martin Wiener's 1981 study, *English Culture and the Decline of the Industrial Spirit*, as an important member of the group of professions into which the sons of the men who made Britain's industrial revolution passed after all the potential commercial flair and drive had been squeezed out of them at the public schools and ancient universities to which their socially ambitious parents had sent them. Two years ago Sir John Hoskyns, Mrs Thatcher's former senior policy adviser, promoted the permanent secretaries to a starring role alongside their political masters in his morality play about a failed Establishment culture incapable, without a generous transfusion *of new blood, of leading the* country out of its downward spiral of under-achievement.

The Hoskyns critique linked the decline school of thought with another school which one might label the constitutional/ *structural. This group includes* such figures as Mr Edmund Dell, the former Trade Secretary, and Lord Hunt of Tanworth, Secretary of the Cabinet under our four most recent prime ministers. In their various ways the members of this school concentrate on what political scientists call the "overload problem". It depicts a system of Cabinet government, not seriously overhauled since 1916, creaking under the stresses of the 1980s and producing all too often a succession of policy fudges agreed by exhausted Cabinet ministers at endless Cabinet committee meetings. Few other western politicians must carry a burden blended of the competing demands of Cabinet, department, Parliament, party, and constituency. *Most proposals for* change here, however, carry substantial constitutional implications as Mr Dell discovered when he wondered if it was absolutely necessary for the choice of the Cabinet to be restricted entirely to members of the Commons or Lords.

The third motor of contemporary debate is provided by the efficiency/effectiveness team. They have found their champion and their hour in the Thatcher years. The achievements of the efficiency strategy designed for the Prime Minister by Lord Rayner and Sir Robin Ibbs are considerable and could become formidable if the annual public *expenditure cycle is genuinely* infused with the spirit and the techniques of the value-for-money crusade.

The Prime Minister, however, is scarcely touched by the "decline" or the "constitutional" schools of thought. She has spent, it is true, much effort on trying to rekindle the entrepreneurial spirit and to change the nation's philosophical climate. But she does not accept the Hoskyns thesis that a large-scale injection of new men and new methods into Whitehall is an indispensable precondition of lasting economic recovery. Nor, apart from a modest boosting of her Downing Street Policy Unit, is she on the way to creating a prime minister's department.

The York conference demon*strated the* lack of even the beginnings of consensus about a substantial Whitehall reform to prepare British government for the demands of the twenty first century. There was, however, a recognition that substantial and lasting reform, if it was to come, would require a resolute patron in No 10 as it found in Gladstone in the 1870s and Lloyd George in the First World War.

The Prime Minister should consider widening her own agenda for change. There is a danger that the Rayner-Ibbs approach will merely ensure that Britain has the best managed decline in economic history. That, surely, is not the object of the exercise.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

No alternative to animal tests

From Sir John Vane, FRS

Sir, Peter Evans (September 3 and 4) draws attention to the escalating criminal activities of the "Animal Liberation Front". The Wellcome Research Laboratories, which are devoted to the alleviation of suffering and disease in animals and man, have been assaulted and damaged by this group, as have the *homes of myself and several of my* colleagues. It is time the public became more aware of the unacceptability of the harm which would result if this ignorant and malicious campaign were to lead to the abolition of animal experimentation.

Discount man's use of animals over the ages and we would still be living in a barbarous, unhealthy and probably cannibalistic society. Delete animal experimentation over the centuries and there would be no biosciences like physiology, pharmacology, biochemistry and pathology.

Discard the advances in medicine and surgery emanating from animal experiments in the last 50 years and you negate the eradication of smallpox, the control of polio, diphtheria and tuberculosis and the myriad other improvements brought about in the health and quality of life of man and animals.

Abrogate animal experiments now and we shall lose the cures that we are entitled to expect in the next 50 years for illnesses that afflict hundreds of millions of people, such as cancer, heart disease, viral diseases, malaria, schistosomiasis and sickle-cell anaemia.

Animal experiments must continue, but to suggest that those of us who hold *Home Office licences have* a "vested interest" is nonsense. Within the pharmaceutical industry, we use alternatives wherever possible and constantly seek new ones.

When we are convinced that an alternative gives results equal to those obtained from animals, we press hard for its adoption by regulatory authorities. Regrettably, it will always be true that nature, in the whole animal, has devised a far better system for testing therapeutic efficacy than scientist can. An end to animal experimentation would guarantee the continuation of much human and animal suffering which will otherwise be alleviated.

The "liberationists" are, of course, entitled to forego medical and surgical treatment themselves. They are not entitled to foist such a regime on others, human or animal.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN VANE, Group Research and Development Director,
The Wellcome Research Laboratories,
Langley Court,
Beckenham,
Kent.
September 7.

Hazards of the Mont Louis sinking

From the Chairman and Chief Executive of British Nuclear Fuels plc

Sir, In my recent review of British Nuclear Fuels plc for 1983/84, I stated that

> very high standards are rightly expected of us and we accept that we are required to operate under detailed scrutiny by Government regulatory authorities, the media and the public. We for our part can reasonably request and expect a more rational attitude in judging and reporting our affairs, with a greater emphasis on putting the dangers into perspective.

A very good example of the *irrationality I had in mind* followed the sinking of the French ship Mont Louis, an incident in which my own company was not involved. The extraordinary reaction of the media, some official bodies, and at least one trade union to this event appears to me to be an instance of Pavlov's conditioned reflex phenomenon, with neurosis triggered by the word "radioactivity".

The ship's cargo was uranium hexafluoride, some of which was slightly enriched, although that makes no difference to the safety case. When BNFL was asked for advice on the nuclear significance of the accident, it was emphasised that the "radioactivity" was extremely low, that the material was contained in stout steel cylinders, and that such hazard as there was arose from the material's toxic chemical characteristics rather than radiation.

Even the chemical hazard is minimal; while the material is under water it remains a solid, not a gas as stated in many stories, and provided the salvage operation is conducted professionally it will pose no hazard when recovered.

The situation might have benefited from an earlier statement by the French authorities, but this does not excuse the media from the *responsibility of seeking* and publishing the facts rather than accepting the incorrect information supplied by the anti-nuclear organisations.

They, entirely predictably, referred to the incident as a serious "radioactive" accident and the word must have done the trick. They also talked of the possibility of violent explosions on the sea-bed, with a consequent disruption of all the containers, causing, by implication, untold damage, a scenario which is quite impossible.

Unfortunately, this nonsense seems to have been accepted by Mr Slater, General Secretary of the National Union of Seamen, who threatened a ban by his union on the handling of all nuclear cargoes. One can only ask if NUS members are also to be asked to consider refusing *to handle comparable cargoes such* as caustic soda, hydrofluoric acid, chlorine, and some other acids and toxic chemicals – which they must do every day, and which pose a similar chemical hazard.

If it were not for the Pavlovian conditioned reflex to the word "radioactivity" *it* would surely have been of much more concern to Mr Slater and others that two ships had collided in one of the major shipping lanes off our coast, with a real threat to life.

As far as environmental hazards are concerned, it would also have been legitimate to speculate on the effect which the 400 tonnes of heavy oil in the fuel tanks of the Mont Louis would have if they were to leak. This hazard was largely ignored by the environmental organisations and did not come into prominence in the media until nearly a week after the accident.

The nuclear industry is an essential part of the world's on-going development, and a big component in our industrial and energy scene. The silly season, when any accident which can have the word "radioactivity" attached to it, irrespective of significance, is treated as a potential calamity attracting massive news coverage and reaction from public figures and organisations, has, I suggest, lasted too long.

Yours faithfully,
CON ALLDAY, Chairman and Chief Executive,
British Nuclear Fuels plc,
Risley, Warrington, Cheshire.

News from Uganda

From Professor Walter Elkan

Sir, The Reverend Andrew Pearson, Co-ordinator of the Busoga Trust, maintains in his letter to you (August 21) that in *Busoga*, southern Uganda, all is progress and enlightenment. He appears not to know that the highly respected MP for one of the Busoga constituencies, Professor Yoweri Kyesimira, is languishing in detention, accused of treason – a charge that the government has singularly failed to substantiate.

Arrested in December, 1981, on suspicion of having assisted the Uganda Freedom Movement, he was released a year later, only to be rearrested last year after he had refused to cross *over from* the Democratic Party to the ruling Uganda People's Congress. He has now been twice brought to court, but the principal prosecution evidence, by two women of doubtful reputation, was totally insufficient to convict him.

Instead of his being found not guilty and released, the case has been adjourned and Professor Kyesimira continues to be detained in prison, where his health is rapidly deteriorating.

I am glad Mr Pearson has found *President* Obote's government "helpful and supportive". I doubt if Professor Kyesimira or many thousands of other equally responsible, decent, peace-loving and non-violent Ugandans who have fallen foul of that regime would share those sentiments.

Yours faithfully,
W. ELKAN,
Department of Economics,
Brunel University,
Uxbridge,
Middlesex.
September 3.

Financial conflict

From Mr Percy Richer

Sir, Your Financial Editor (August 31) is right to be concerned that bank managers are to be paid *commission for pushing* the sale of shares in British Telecom.

Managers will be under competitive pressure to sell as much as possible – an unfair burden, in my view, causing a conflict of interest.

The legal dangers were demonstrated in the case of Woods v Martin's Bank Ltd (1959) 1QB 55, when the bank had to compensate their customer in full for an unwise investment recommended by them.

Yours faithfully,
PERCY RICHER,
Upton Britton & Lumb (Solicitors),
9 *Leigham Hall Parade*,
Streatham High Road, SW16.

Fair exchange

From Lord Greenhill of Harrow

Sir, I agree with Mr George Walden's sensible article "Don't swop – it only encourages them" (September 3). But in referring somewhat critically to the Kroger-Brooke exchange he omits one important consideration which influenced HM Government's decision at the time.

The consideration was that the Krogers had served nine years of their original sentence – not an inconsiderable punishment for a married couple in the prime of life. They might well have felt that the KGB's "rescue" had come a little late.

Mr Brooke, on the other hand, was a naive young lecturer at the beginning of his career who would have been left to the mercies of a Russian labour camp whilst the Krogers worked out the remainder of their sentence. In these circumstances an exchange was a reasonable humanitarian act.

Yours faithfully,
GREENHILL of HARROW,
House of Lords.

Freemasonry and the police

From Mr H. A. Burrard

Sir, In today's edition (September 6) your paper carries a front page article headed "Scotland Yard advises police against Freemasonry". Of course, this is not the first time that suspicion has been voiced that fraternal loyalty may interfere with public duty.

I wonder, however, why a similar caveat has not been issued against membership of other fraternal organisations such as the Knights of St Columbus, the Catenian Society, the Oddfellows, the Druids, Rotary or the Free Foresters, to name but a few. Perhaps Mr Laugharne would also like to explain why he has not warned policemen against associating with members of the same old school, the same church or even golf club.

If you are narrow minded enough you can read something sinister into any situation.

Yours truly,
H. A. BURRARD,
539 Finchley Road, NW8.
September 6.

From Mr Peter R. Ackroyd

Sir, Your report in today's issue (September 6) of the strongly-worded advice to police officers not to be Freemasons, with its reference to police responsibility for impartiality, prompts the question whether the same advice should not be given to judges, barristers and other members of the legal profession, as well as perhaps also to those responsible *for appointments in the scholarly* and professional sphere.

Conflicts between public responsibility and private interest will always exist; *but the* secrecy involved in Masonic activities must always provoke doubts about their propriety.

Yours faithfully,
PETER R. ACKROYD,
19 Gayfere Street, SW1.

Liberation theology

From Mr Christopher Danes

Sir, Dr Giles Mercer's letter (September 7) accurately isolates the issues raised by the controversy over liberation theology, but he fails to appreciate the complexity of the final question of the use of Marxist ideas in Christian theology.

Given that Marxist philosophy is alien to Christianity and that Cardinal Ratzinger is correct to point out the unacceptability of a wholehearted acceptance of its ideology, it may nonetheless have useful ways of looking at things which can be used by the Christian theologian, particularly as he turns his mind to economics. The trick is to decide how far one can go.

Dr Mercer is wrong to suggest that the theologian's use of Marxist ideas is in some way different from his use of the thought of Plato or Aristotle, although it may well turn out that he will want only to use small amounts of Marx. Although a theistic philosophy, Platonism contains essential differences from Christianity and runs counter to it in certain important aspects.

The contribution of the theologians of the Patristic period was broadly speaking, to isolate the useful aspects of Platonist thought and while putting them to work for the faith, to exclude inappropriate or over-hasty programmes of "Platonisation". That is why Origen died excommunicate but we venerate St Athanasius.

Thus something may be inherently dangerous but beneficial in small doses. It is the size of the dosage which the Holy See is seeking to regulate, and whether or not Fr Boff has exceeded it remains to be seen.

Yours faithfully,
CHRISTOPHER DANES,
Cutlers,
Abbey Road,
Sherborne,
Dorset.

'Times' and 'Guardian'

From Mr David McKie

Sir, In a report headed "Sales of Times overtake Guardian" today (September 7) you quote "industry observers" as saying that sales of *The Times* have risen substantially since you introduced your bingo game, Portfolio. You also quote a spokesman for *The Times*, Mr Brittenden, as saying circulation had been growing steadily and recent gains were simply an acceleration.

You could have done your readers a service by printing beneath these statements a chart of circulation figures over the past year, thus enabling them to judge which of these assessments bears the closer resemblance to reality.

According to the unofficial figures *in front of me – and like the figures* you quoted yesterday morning, none of these has the ABC stamp of authenticity – the facts are as follows:

	(000s)	
1983	*Times*	*Guardian*
May	347	442
June	354	450
July	365	436
August	361	429
September	361	441
October	375	455
November	380	461
December	375	454
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January	376	454
February	382	487
March	375	481
April	375	466
May	375	476
June	400	473
July	461	463
August*	461	453

**Times* figures, September 7

The picture is fairly clear. In the period from August, 1983, when *The Times* was competing on its merits as a newspaper (plus an advantageous cover price) it certainly made gains, though smaller gains than *The Guardian's*. Since June, when bingo was introduced, it has made the more substantial gains it was unable to achieve before.

If this is Mr Brittenden's idea of steady acceleration, I can only say I hope I never meet him on a motorway.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID McKIE, Deputy Editor,
The Guardian,
119 Farringdon-Road, EC1.

Christian stewardship

From the Reverend Dr Kenneth Slack

Sir, Clifford Longley's article, "*Three into one makes sense*" (August 24), rightly drives home the question of Christian stewardship for all the churches. It is not only a question of right giving, but of wise using of resources.

He concentrates on heating and maintenance as symbolic of such stewardship. But another resource greatly under pressure is the ministry of word and sacraments. It *would be illuminating* – and, I would guess, disturbing – to plot the movements of clergy and ministers in many areas as, on a Sunday, they try to maintain some ministry on a denominational basis.

It is hard to exaggerate the gravity of the failure of the covenanting proposals in the light of this need for better stewardship. They promised by far the best way forward that has yet been before us.

It is not to be wondered at that at present we are bewildered about what to do next. It is clear that only a Church of England sufficiently united in its own life to give some confidence that *proposals* will *not* founder on the rocks of party tensions can restart the unity process.

In view of Mr Longley's kind reference to the United Reformed Church it seems churlish to say that he has mistaken its character, but he has. He writes, "power in the URC lies with the local congregations". Sir, it does not. Finally it lies with *the General Assembly*, though rightly we cherish the element in the Congregational tradition which gives to the local church meeting appropriate powers of decision in its own sphere.

Yours faithfully,
KENNETH SLACK,
The Manse,
Allen Street, Kensington, W8.
August 24.

Post script

From Sir Thomas Armstrong

Sir, Our handwriting might improve if there were a reliable supply of old-fashioned steel nibs, at reasonable *prices. "They come as a boom and a* blessing to men", I used to read, "the Pickwick, the Owl and the Waverley Pen".

What a *blessing* they would be today, if we could find them, especially if they brought with them a bottle or two of Stephens's Blue-Black writing fluid, now so hard to get, and so much more manageable than the syrupy liquids that are sold for use in fountain-pens!

I am now an old man, old enough, as Thomas Beecham once said to the students in the Royal Academy of *music*, "to know that I am always *wrong*". But my hand-writing, as you see, Sir, is legible: and this is because I am a hoarder, and have kept a supply of old-fashioned pen-nibs, more especially Perry's, "Ladies Pen", and some bottles of Stephens's Blue-Black writing fluid.

Which enterprising manufacturer is going to supply these requirements for good hand-writing and do it soon?

Yours sincerely
THOMAS ARMSTRONG,
Newton Blossomville,
Bedford.

Child benefit

From the Director of the Low Pay Unit

Sir, Graham Mather (feature, August 23) presents the Institute of Directors' support for a return to child tax allowances as a step forward and a way of achieving a "more effective use of resources". Nothing could be further from the truth.

Such a move would amount to a return to the old structure of two sets of child tax and family allowances – a system abandoned with the consensus of all parties. The reasons for such a consensus must not be forgotten.

The fundamental weakness of the tax allowance approach is that it results in top income earners receiving twice as much assistance as the low-paid and other basic-rate taxpayers. How on earth does the Institute of Directors square this with the claim that such reform will "focus attention on those most in need"?

Mr Mather provides no estimates of the cost of his proposal yet devotes much space to implying that the present child benefit is expensive. In fact the conversion of the present child benefit into an equivalent value tax relief as he proposes would lead to much higher costs to the Exchequer because of its greater value to higher rate taxpayers.

Moreover, there would no longer be any guarantee that the public money allocated for child support actually *found* its way into the pockets of the person carrying the main burden of child care.

The direct and universal provision of child benefit represents a recognition of the nation's need to invest in the future generation in a similar way as we provide basic pensions for our elderly. The present child benefit scheme does this in an evenhanded and administratively simple way. Mr Mather's proposals would, in contrast, introduce inequity and complexity into the crucial area of child support.

Yours faithfully,
CHRIS POND, Director,
Low Pay Unit,
9 Poland Street, W1.
August 23.

Magic touch

From Mr Charles Morgan

Sir, If the Royal Shakespeare Company believes that the running costs of its new theatre can be met from box office receipts (report, September 6), may we assume that the opening production will be *The Alchemist*?

Yours faithfully,
CHARLES MORGAN,
Development Officer,
Theatre Royal,
Stratford East,
Gerry Raffles Square, E15.
September 6.

COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT CIRCULAR

BALMORAL CASTLE

September 8: The Right Hon Margaret Thatcher, MP (Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury) and Mr Denis Thatcher have arrived at the Castle.

The Right Hon Margaret Thatcher, MP had an audience of The Queen this evening.

September 9: Divine Service was held in Crathie Parish Church this morning. The Reverend Donald Stephen preached the Sermon.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE

September 8: The Duke of Kent, as Colonel, was present today at the Scots Guards Association Gathering at Glamis Castle.

His Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Captain Charles Blount.

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Charles Klimcke, Past Master of the Guild of Air Pilots and Air Navigators, will be held at St Michaels, Cornhill on Thursday, October 4th, 1984, at noon.

Prince and Princess John Sapieha will celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage, abroad, on September 11, 1984.

Birthdays today

Mr Thomas Allen, 40; Major-General Sir Maurice Dowse, 85; the Earl of Enniskillen, 66; Sir William Fellowes, 85; Miss Judy Geeson, 36; Professor C. H. M. J. Gilles, 63;

Mr David Hamilton, 45; Sir Harry Hardy, 88; Mr Niall Macdermot, QC, 68; Mr Norman Morrice, 53; Mr Justice Nolan, 56; Lord O'Neill of the Maine, 70; Mr Arnold Palmer, 55; General Sir Antony Read, 71; Dame Betty Ridley, 75;

Sir Edward Sayers, 82; Sir Norman Skelhorn, QC, 75; Sir Rupert Speir, 74; Miss Gwen Watford, 57; Professor Carel Weight, 76; Sir Graham Wilson, 89.

Marriages

The Earl of Belmore and Lady Mary Meade

The marriage took place on Saturday at St George's, Preshute, Wiltshire, of the Earl of Belmore, of Castle Coole, Enniskillen, co Fermanagh, and Lady Mary Meade, daughter of the Earl and Countess of Clanwilliam, of Rancombe Park, Oare, Marlborough, Wiltshire. The Rev Colin Fox officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Nicholas Reid, Rowley and Thomas Baring, Christabel Russell, Kitty Timpson and Marina Jamieson. Mr Hugo Summerson was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Mr A. M. Singleton and Lady Amelia Paget

The marriage took place on Saturday at St Mary's, Llanedwen, Anglesey, of Mr Andrew Singleton, second son of Sir Edward and Lady Singleton, of 57 Victoria Road, W8, and Lady Amelia Paget, youngest daughter of the Marquess and Marchioness of Anglesey, of Plas Newydd, Llanfairpwll, Anglesey, North Wales. The Rev R.T Jones officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Catherine Singleton, Emma Heald, Natasha Waterson and Katherine Taylor. Mr Charles Rolandi was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Sir Nicholas Stuart Taylor, BT, and Dr M. E. Sullivan

The marriage took place on Saturday at St Mary's, Funtington, West Sussex, of Sir Nicholas Stuart Taylor, Bt, son of the late Sir Richard Stuart Taylor, Bt, and of Lady Stuart Taylor, of White Lodge, Hambrook, Chichester, Sussex, and Dr Malvena Elizabeth Sullivan, daughter of Mr Daniel Sullivan and the late Mrs Kathleen Sullivan, of Baronsmere Road, London. The Rev A. T. John Salter officiated, assisted by the Rev Donald A. Johnson.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Miss Julienne Eve, Mrs Michael Penfare, Miss Caroline Stuart Taylor, sister of the bridegroom, and Miss Karen Horwell. Mr Andrew Longmore was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bridegroom and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Mr A. Wilson and Miss P. M. Turner

The marriage took place on Saturday at St Martin's, East Woodhay, Berkshire, of Mr Andrew Wilson, younger son of Sir David Wilson, Bt, and Lady Wilson, of Tandem House, Oxshott, Surrey, and Miss Penelope May Turner, second daughter of Brigadier and Mrs William Turner, of The Holt, Woolton Hill, Newbury, Berkshire. The Rev David Carter officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Emily Sayce. Mr Thomas Wilson, brother of the bridegroom, was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon will be spent in Ireland.

Dr M. J. LeF. Porteous and Miss B. A. Beevor

The marriage took place on Saturday at the Church of All Saints, Wilby, Norfolk, of Dr Matthew Porteous, eldest son of Mr and Mrs John Porteous, of Elgin Crescent, W11, and Miss Bridget Anastasia Beevor, eldest daughter of Sir Thomas Beevor, Bt, of Hargham Hall, Norfolk, and Barbara Lady Beevor, of Marlingford, Norfolk. The Rev C. P Nichols officiated.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Mr Duncan Chappell was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Mr G. C. Harington and Miss K. E. Humphreys

The marriage took place on Saturday in the Henry VIII Chapel, Westminster Abbey of Mr Guy Harington, only son of General Sir Charles and Lady Harington, of Rivermead Court, SW, and Miss Kay Humphreys, only daughter of the late Mr J. K. Humphreys and of Mrs E. Humphreys, of Saludean, Sussex. The Dean of Westminster officiated.

The bride was given in marriage by Mr Jack Briggs. The Hon Alan Gordon-Walker was best man.

A reception was held at the Sheraton Park Tower Hotel and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Mr N. A. B. Acland and Miss S. C. A. Yorke

The marriage took place on September 8 at St Leonard's, Downham, of Mr Nicholas Acland, son of Sir Antony and Lady Acland, and Miss Sophia Yorke, daughter of Mr and Mrs David Yorke. The Bishop of Blackburn officiated, assisted by Father Roderick Strange.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Katharine Acland, Esther Fleetwood Hesketh, Alice Llewellyn, Edward Sanguinetti and the Hon Tom Shuttleworth. Mr Simon Acland was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Captain P. Aranha and Miss K. B. Francis

The marriage took place on Friday, September 7, in Nassau, Bahamas, between Captain Paul Aranha, of Nassau, Bahamas, and Miss Kim Francis, only daughter of Mrs Patricia Francis of Bird Cay, Bahamas, and Chateau Solveig (Vaud), Switzerland, and the late Mr Francis Francis.

Mr J. S. Cox and Mrs D. R. Whitelock

The marriage took place on Friday, September 7, between Mr John Cox, son of Mr and Mrs S. W. Cox, of Epsom, Surrey, and Mrs Deborah Whitelock, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs R. H. McNair, of Belfast, Northern Ireland.

Mr C. N. Dunn and Miss M. E. Wemyss

The marriage took place at the Cathedral Church of St Mary, Edinburgh, on September 8, between Mr Christopher Noel Dunn, youngest son of the late Mr Robert Dunn and Mrs Zoe Parton, Elvet House, Grey College, Durham and Miss Morag Elizabeth Wemyss, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Wemyss, 97 Derby Road, Aston-on-Trent.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Miss Helen Victoria Lawrence. Mr David Wilmot was best man.

A reception was held at the George Hotel, Edinburgh.

Mr P. Haslam and Mrs A. Butler

The marriage took place on Saturday, September 8, between Mr Patrick Haslam, son of Mr and Mrs Michael Haslam, of Lynchetts, Upper Lambourn, Berkshire, and Mrs Anne Butler, daughter of the late Captain and Mrs Paul Shordiche-Churchward, of Winsley Hall, Shrewsbury, Shropshire. A service of blessing was held afterwards at Moulton Hall, Moulton, Newmarket.

Mr P. M. A. Lloyd and Miss A. C. Higgins

The marriage took place at All Saints Church, Faringdon, on September 8, between Mr Peregrine Lloyd, youngest son of Mr Ian Lloyd, MP, and Mrs Lloyd, and Miss Annabel Higgins, only daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs Fergus Higgins. The Rev Roger Hoare officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of ivory silk. She was attended by Charles Pool and Rose, Frances and Flora Montgomery. Mr Mark Lloyd was best man.

A reception was held at Thornhill House, Kingston Lisle.

Mr W. M. Long-Innes and Miss D. H. Beer

The marriage took place on September 8 at St Paul's Episcopal Church, New Orleans, United States, between Mr Bill Long-Innes, son of Mr Michael Long-Innes, of Billingshurst, Sussex, and of Mrs Michael Comer, of Walton-on-the-Hill, Surrey, and Miss Dana Beer, younger daughter of Judge Peter Beer and of Mrs Roberta Beer, of New Orleans.

Mr A. G. Melville and Mrs M. Brazil

The marriage took place quietly on Saturday at The Church of St Michael and All Angels, Inkpen, Berkshire, of Mr Alan G. Melville, husband of the late Mrs Brenda (Madeline) Melville, of Highgate, N6, and Mrs Mollie Brazil, wife of the late Mr John F. Brazil, of Sevenoaks.

Mr J. H. Tattersall and Miss M. V. Coles

The marriage took place on September 8 at St Jude's Church, Courtfield Gardens, London, of Mr John Hartley Tattersall, son of Mr and Mrs J. Tattersall, of Deganwy, Gwynedd, and of the late Mrs R. H. Tattersall, and Miss Madeleine Virginia Coles, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs R. E. H. Coles, of St John's Wood, London. The Rev David Rymer officiated, assisted by Mgr John Crowley, VG.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr G. R. Green and Miss S. J. House

The engagement is announced between Richard, son of the late Mr Edward Green and Mrs Green, of Itchenor, Sussex, and Sarah, daughter of Mr and Mrs Charles House, of The Old Mill, Bulford, Wiltshire.

Mr S. E. Grey and Miss D. J. Clifton

The engagement is announced between Simon, elder son of Major-General and Mrs C. R. Grey, of Castle Cary, Somerset, and Debra Jayne, daughter of Mr and Mrs P. W. Clifton, of Biggleswade, Bedfordshire.

Mr M. J. F. Hudson and Miss A. I. Melo Nogueira

The engagement is announced between Mark, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Miles Hudson, of The Priors Farm, Mattingley, Hampshire, and Ana Isobel, eldest daughter of Dr and Sra Antonio Melo Nogueira, of Galamares, Sintra, Portugal.

Mr J. B. Ingham and Miss C. Yendley

The engagement is announced between John Bernard, son of Mr and Mrs B. Ingham, of Purley, Surrey, and Christine, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Yendley, of Bramhall, Cheshire.

Mr R. Lankester and Miss C. Francis

The engagement is announced between Robert, younger son of Commander and Mrs P. R. Lankester, of Hill Grove Farm, Cookham Dean, Berkshire, and Carey, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs P. G. Francis, of Hafodneddyn, Carmarthenshire.

Mr T. Norriss and Miss P. Fry

The engagement is announced between Tim, only son of Mr Michael Norriss, of Gunter Hall, Gunter Grove, London, and Mrs Alan Foulds, and Polly, eldest daughter of Mr Jeremy Fry, of Royal Crescent, Bath, and Mrs John Fairbairn.

Mr J. M. M. Page and Miss E. J. Dolman

The engagement is announced between John, younger son of Mr and Mrs N. R. Page, of Minstead, Hampshire, and Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs J. W. Dolman, of Putney, London.

Dr R. W. G. Prescott and Miss G. S. Wagstaff

The engagement is announced between Richard son of Dr and Mrs D. T. Prescott, of Bishop Auckland, and Gillian, youngest daughter of Dr and Mrs J. K. Wagstaff, of Durham.

Mr J. M. Wilson and Miss F. J. Heald

The engagement is announced between James Michael Wilson, of San Francisco, son of the late Mr and Mrs Louis J. Wilson, of St Louis, Missouri, and Frances Jane, daughter of Mr Michael Heald, of The Stud House, Stratford St Andrew, Suffolk, and Mrs William L. S. Williams, of Crossways Farm, Kintbury, Berkshire.

A theology to free the poor from grinding apathy

By Clifford Longley, Religious Affairs Correspondent

The Vatican's unfavourable view of Latin American theology of liberation is directed at its Marxist presuppositions. It raises the question whether a theology of liberation could exist in a non-Marxist form, and if so, whether it would still be useful or a merely theoretical exercise.

There is an important clue to be found in the repeated failure of theologians in Western Europe, for all their fascination with the idea, to transfer liberation theology to a First World context. All that happens when they try is a cosmetic dressing of traditional theology with some of the terms employed in the new; or a representation of left-wing secular ideas with religious metaphors. Neither has much to do with liberation, as the Latin American theologians describe it.

This strongly suggests that Marxism, as a scientific theory, is a reasonable approximation to socio-economic reality only in those particular conditions of Latin America, probably because those conditions are not so different from the condition of European capitalism at the time Marx analysed it.

Marxism as a scientific theory fails the test of late twentieth century norther hemisphere economics, with its mixture of state socialism, centralized government control, socially regulated capitalsim, welfare state and democracy.

Thus Marxism in such societies is not a scientific theory at all, but a dogmatic system which imposes a prior judgment of what the facts are, that being the only way to produce "evidence" to support the theory.

The Vatican appears to be demanding that the Latin American theologians should throw Marxism overboard, in the hope that there is a possible form of liberation theology which is non-Marxist. This may turn out to be only a partial truth: theology of liberation without some form of socio-economic analysis would have no concrete content at all. The interesting possbility is that a theology of liberation could be built upon any analysis of the facts which was a good enough approximation. Even a "Thatcherite" theology of liberation would become possible – and Mrs Thatcher herself does sometimes talk as if she feels she has one.

A theology of liberation relevant to the European situation would start from premises similar to those in Latin America, which the Vatican has in fact endorsed rather than condemned. The Church is imperatively bound to take the "preferential option for the poor" against those who are the un-poor: that is the common ground.

Then it becomes a question of fact to discover who the poor are and who the un-poor, to name the oppressed and the oppressor. A theology of liberation in Czechoslovakia, for example, might have to name the oppressor as the Marxist government. In London, Manchester or Liverpool, the poor would be those whose dignity and liberty has been suppressed by their total dependence on agencies of public welfare and whose control over their own lives has been narrowed down, so to speak, to a choice of television channels.

No one is supposed to starve in a welfare state. But what the "poor" of European big cities and the "poor" of Latin American shanty towns have in common is their reduction to a grinding state of apathy. The theology of liberation, in both contexts, declares this to be intolerable: and declares this to be an essentially religious condition from which the Christian religion's primary task is to free them.

The Marxist theologian could say very little that would be comprehensible to the proletariat on housing estates whose oppressors are the proletarians in the housing departments or DHSS offices, applying rules to shape their lives, in every particular. The Marxist theologian would have to look in vain for vastly wealthy private landlords or bloated capitalist industrialists: such people are not visible in the lives of the European inner-city poor.

They do not have them in Czechoslovakia at all, they are thin on the ground in Liverpool, but the theological insight is still valid, and offers those poor what no one else offers, no political party at least. It is an analysis on which they can act. It is an analysis on which the church can join them in acting. It asserts, against the weight of conventional wisdom, their dignity, their right to take control of their lives by some organized struggle if necessary, and the fundamentally important and useful knowledge that this is not how life is meant to be: and that how life is meant to be is in fact achievable.

Mr David Howroyd, who is handicapped, being congratulated yesterday by Miss Dinah Sheridan, the actress, after he walked from John O'Groats to Hyde Park, London, in less than 20 days to raise money for kidney reseach.

The National Stud's 1984 Newmarket Autumn Ball

The National Stud's 1984 Newmarket Autumn Ball will be held at the July Racecourse, Newmarket, on Wednesday, October 3. This inaugural event is in aid of The Injured Jockey's Fund, The Bob Champion Cancer Trust and the National Horseracing Museum.

The programme includes dancing to Joe Loss and his Orchestra, Chance, the Jubilee Jazz Band, Raffles Discotheque and the pipes and drums of The Caledonian Highlanders.

Legs and Co will appear in cabaret and at midnight there will be a floodlit display of the mounted band and trumpeters of The Life Guards. Other attractions include funfair rides, and auction and roving entertainers.

Full tickets at £35 each covering dinner, English breakfast and souvenir programme; after-dinner tickets at £25 each covering English breakfast and souvenir programme; and ball leaflets are available from the organizers: Craddock and Pile Limited, 9, High Street, Guildford, Surrey, GU2 5AB, telephone Guildford (0483) 65777.

Science report

Experts stall on verdict against lead

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

How much brain damage and impairment to the intelligence of children is caused by continuing exposure to low levels of lead from car exhausts and other sources contaminating the air?

The definitive answer has been awaited from the Medical Research Council, whose lead advisory group, comprising a panel of eminent doctors, scientists and statisticians, was set up after a request from the Government last year.

Their judgment was sought after extensive research studies in the United States, Britain and elsewhere in Europe between 1979 and 1983 pointed to persistent exposure to low levels of lead in urban areas as a cause of low educational achievement, behaviour problems and poor performance in general.

Unfortunately, the findings of the experts are unlikely to give anyone much satisfaction.

Putting a very detailed analysis into a nutshell, they say they are not certain. They indicate that even a new long-term investigation, which would cost probably more than £1m, could still not resolve the issue.

But it is implicit from their report that the human body has no useful purpose for even trace amounts of lead, and since its only biological properties are known to be destructive it would be best avoided.

The data gathered in the investigations which have implicated low levels of lead in brain damage are not challenged. The assessment throws doubts on the interpretation of the results.

In particular, the conclusions drawn from examining American children in one of the studies, regarded by many doctors and scientists as a crucial set of evidence against lead, are not regarded as valid for Britain because the environment of the subjects is so different.

Rather than forming an opinion about the effect of low levels of lead on health, the new Medical Research Council document ends up dwelling on the obstacles which lie in the way of constructing an inquiry that may yield an unambiguous result.

The experts suggest that the various methods used to make psychological measurements – IQ tests, measurements of educational attainment, ratings of behaviour, various memory and manipulative tests, and even the use of brain wave measurements, electroencephalograms (EEGs) – are open to too many interpretations to serve as an indicator of the effect of lead in the body.

Service dinner

Waggon Club

Members of the Waggon Club entertained their ladies at a dinner on Saturday in the Royal Corps of Transport Headquarters Officers' Mess, Buller Barracks, Aldershot. Major-General W. Bate, president, was in the chair.

Latest wills

Lady Docker, of Palma de Mallorca, widow of Sir Bernard Docker, left estate in England and Wales valued at £39,650 net.

Other estates include (net before tax paid):

Surridge, Mrs Evelyn Frances, of Worthing, West Sussex £709,637

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:

Mr Quentin Thomas head of a division in the prison department in the Home Office, to be assistant under-secretary of state as head of the broadcasting department of the Home Office, in succession to Mr Michael Moriarty.

Cheltenham College

Autumn Term begins today. OC day is on October 6 and the memorial service for Randal Woollatt will take place at 11.30 am in chapel. The Remembrance Sunday sermon will be preached by General Sir John Hackett. Terms ends on Friday, December 14 with the carol services to which all parents and OCs are invited.

Colfe's School

Autumn Term started on September 5 and will end on December 19. Half-term is from October 22 to 26. J. P. Young is the school captain. Sir Kenneth Newman will be the guest speaker at the 333rd anniversary governors' visitation on October 19. The Old Colfeians' reunion dinner will be at Colfe's on November 16 and the musical *My Fair Lady* will be presented from December 6 to 8.

Felixstowe College

Autumn Term begins today with the opening of the new staff common room and additional wing of Tyndale House. Half-term is from October 20 to 28 and the old girls' London reunion is on November 10 at Holy Trinity, Brompton. The carol services are on December 8 and 9 and term ends after the school play on December 15.

Forest School

Autumn Term at Forest School begins today. There are 1084 pupils in the school. The new headmaster of the junior school is Mr R. T. Cryer. The school celebrates its sesquicentenary this year and the main anniversary activities will take place in the first week of October. Any Old Forester who has not received details of these functions should contact the warden's secretary. On October 16 the new sixth form centre, the cricket pavilion and computer centre will be opened by Mr Norman Tebbit, MP. The Old Foresters dinner will be held at the school on October 19. Term will end on December 14 with the 118th annual Shakespeare play, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*.

Giggleswick School

Autumn Term begins today. This is the 50th anniversary year of the opening of the junior preparatory school, Catteral Hall. The inaugural event for the golden jubilee will take place on Saturday, September 29, with Mr Russell Harty as the principal guest. The School will be launching a new appeal for funds for further development. The Duke of Devonshire, honorary president for the appeal, will address the launching meeting on Saturday, September 22. Former pupils of the school who would like further information of these two special features of the school year are asked to contact the headmaster at the school. Half-term holiday will be October 27 to November 4 and the term ends with the carol service on Saturday, December 15.

Malvern College

Autumn Term at Malvern College begins today. D D Carpenter is senior chapel prefect and G M Bassett is junior chapel prefect. Mr A C S Carter succeeds Mr M G Harvey as Housemaster of Number Three. The school play, *The Government Inspector*, a joint production with Ellerslie School, takes place on October 11, 12 and 13. Mr M J W Rogers will open the Martin Rogers Theatre on November 23. The carol services are on December 12 and 14. Term ends on December 15.

Monmouth School

Michaelmas Term begins today and ends on Thursday, December 13. The head of school will be H. A. Partington and the captain of rugby football is to be P. D. Thomas. Half-term will start at 3.45pm on Friday, October 19, and end on Sunday, October 28, when boarders return. The school carol service will take place on the last day of term.

Oakham School

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will visit Oakham School on November 16 as part of the school's quatercentenary celebrations. Winter Term begins today. The Old Oakhamian dinner will be held on November 24. Guest lecturers for the term include Sir Keith Joseph, British Studies Association Celebration Lecture, October 26: Dr J. Krebs, Biology Celebration Lecture, September 25: and Mr Richard Tames, History Society Celebration Lecture, November 13. The head boy is Miles Linney and head girl Vanessa Bailey. There are 963 pupils in the school, 531 boys and 432 girls. Term ends on Sunday, December 16.

Repton School

Michaelmas term begins today with 570 on the role and 276 at the preparatory school, Foremarke Hall. Mr M. Amherst-Lock, Mr N. G. Bennett, Mr J. C. Driver and Mr P. G. Tapley have joined the staff. The Rev P. M. Jenkins has succeeded Mr R. M. Charlesworth as house master of The Hall. J. W. Hosking (The Hall) is head prefect and P. J. Brownhill (The Priory) is captain of football. Old Reptonian Day is on September 29. The music society will join the School of St Mary and St Anne, Abbots Bromley to perform Elgar's *The Dream of Gerontius* in Pears School on December 1 and at Abbots Bromley on December 2. The Leather Lecture will be given by Colonel James Irwin. Term ends on December 14.

St Edward's School Oxford

Winter Term starts today. Jonathan Holt-Allen is head of school. Commemoration will be on Saturday, December 1. The carol service will be on Sunday, December 9, and term will end on Friday, December 14, 1984.

St Francis' College Letchworth

Autumn Term begins on September 12 and ends on December 12. Speech Day, at which the guest of honour will be Mr Peter Beazley, MEP will be on Friday, September 28. Dr M. Blake, Mr P. Mottram, and Mrs F. Browne are joining the staff as heads of chemistry, classics and home economics respectively.

St George's College

St George's College celebrates its centenary at Weybridge in September, having moved from its first location in Croydon in 1884. As part of the celebrations, the college organized a cricket tour of Zimbabwe, which returns on September 14. Christmas Term begins on Thursday, September 13. The school play will be *Black Comedy* by Mr Peter Shaffer.

Wellesley House, Broadstairs

Michaelmas Term starts on Wednesday, September 12, and ends on Thursday, December 13. Mr R. M. H. Boddington has been appointed deputy headmaster. Mr R. M. Spencer will continue as senior master. The new Boyce-Ridgway activities hall with the music and art centres will be opened by Mr R. Leigh-Pemberton on Thursday, October 25, at 5pm. Invitations will be sent to all parents, old boys, and others who gave to the appeal.

Appointments in the Forces will be published tomorrow

OBITUARY

LIAM O'FLAHERTY

Irish novelist and short-story writer

Liam O'Flaherty, the Irish novelist and short-story writer, best known for *The Informer*, for which he received the James Tait Black Memorial Prize in 1926, died in Dublin on September 7. He was 88.

He was one of Ireland's most important writers of his generation, of whom Sean O'Faolain said: "He has more blemishes and more faults than any living writer of his rank, and he surmounts them all. . . . Wonder is his weapon and folly is his enemy."

Liam O'Flaherty was born on Inishmore, the largest of the Aran Islands, on August 28, 1896, the ninth child and second son of Michael O'Flaherty, who worked 15 acres of barren land. His mother was Margaret Ganly, descended from Plymouth Brethren in Antrim. He was destined for the priesthood, and was given free education by the Holy Ghost Fathers; he studied at Rockwell College, Tipperary, Blackrock College near Dublin, and the Dublin diocesan seminary, where he gave up the idea of taking orders.

He entered University College, Dublin, on a scholarship, but after one year there left to join the Irish Guards, "tired of waiting for the Revolution". He enrolled under his mother's name of Ganly, and fought in France in the First World War, but was invalided out in 1918 after being blown up and shell-shocked north of Ypres.

O'Flaherty never really recovered from this experience. On leaving hospital he travelled most of the world as (he claimed), a lumberjack, hobo, stoker and beachcomber, still calling himself Bill Ganly. After a rest on his native Aran he plunged into the fray that was going on in Ireland; he had started to write in New York, but had torn up all his work in a fit of despondency.

In 1913 in Dublin he had formed a Republican corps. Then, in 1921, as a convinced communist describing himself as "Chairman of the Council of the Unemployed", at the head of a group of unemployed workers, he hoisted the red flag on the Rotunda in Dublin, and held the building for several days. He joined the Republicans against the Free Staters when the Civil War broke out; but went to London in 1922. There he wrote his first novel, *Thy Neighbour's Wife* (1923), in the composition of which he was assisted by Edward Garnett, mentor of Conrad, D. H. Lawrence, H. E. Bates and many other writers.

O'Flaherty attracted attention with his first collection of short stories, *Spring Sowing* (1924): more than a dozen volumes followed. Most critics find him at his best in the short story. He wrote both vivid vignettes of rural life, and powerful tales of animal life. Very often his theme is courage. At his best in the genre he belongs in the first category.

He continued under the tutelage of Edward Garnett, whose wife, the translator Constance Garnett, introduced him – fruitfully – to such Russian writers as Dostoevsky and Gogol. With *The Informer* (1925) he found enormous success on both sides of the Atlantic, but, partly because of his war experiences, he could not settle down; he temporarily succumbed to alcoholism, had two severe breakdowns, and his marriage in 1926 to the writer Margaret Barrington (by whom he had a child) broke down in 1932.

During this restless period he gave up communism. He wandered from place to place, including rural isolation in co Wicklow, then London, France and Russia (about which he wrote in the disillusioned, satirical *I Went to Russia*, 1931). *The Informer* was filmed with great success in 1935 by John Ford.

During the Second World War O'Flaherty lived in the Caribbean, South America and Connecticut (where he wrote the tales collected in *Two Lovely Beasts*, 1948). After 1946 he lived mainly in Dublin, for most of the time as a depressed reclusive, still at war with his neuroticism.

He was occasionally persuaded to broadcast stories on Radio Eireann – until 1957, when for a time he retreated into silence and total seclusion.

The proceeds from the three films which were made from his novels, and royalties from earlier books and from translations relieved him somewhat from the financial burdens of his earlier years. He apparently wrote no new fiction after about 1962, but he kept no systematic record, and was careless about dates of composition. He took little interest in a new enthusiasm for his work which emerged in Ireland and America in the 1970s.

His most famous novel, *The Informer*, is now seen by some as an inferior work; his best is considered to have been *Famine* (1937), whose narrative technique is vastly superior to that of all his other 14 novels; this was also the only longer narrative by him to portray a woman successfully.

Among his other works, O'Flaherty wrote unsuccessful plays, two excellent poems, a collection of stories (1953) in the Irish language, and two lively, factually unreliable autobiographies: *Two Years* (1930) and *Shame the Devil* (1934), as well as two children's stories. In 1976 he was prevailed upon to record some of his work to mark his eightieth birthday, and in 1979 he received the Allied Irish Bank – Irish Academy of Letters Award.

GROUP CAPTAIN C.E.H. VERITY

Group Captain Conrad Edward Howe Verity, OBE, JP, who died on September 6, aged 83, was an engineer who made distinct contributions in many different spheres, both civil and military.

Qualifying as both a mechanical and a civil engineer after a series of appointments he joined the Technical Engineering Department of the London Power Company and in 1931 was appointed head of the department.

In 1940, despite his reserved occupation Verity joined the RAF as a power station target specialist in the rank of Pilot Officer. He established a reputation as a meticulous staff officer and earned the respect of the bomber crews whom he briefed by accompanying them on many raids. He in particular played a significant role in the raid on the Mohne, Sorpe and Eder dams, working closely with Barnes Wallis, the designer of the bouncing bomb, and had an original Wallis sketch of the device in his possession.

Towards the end of the war he was transferred from command of the Joint US/UK Target Group in England to be Senior British Officer of the Joint Target Group in Washington. Their work was to mastermind target operations in the Far East, including the selection of targets for the two atom bombs. He was appointed OBE (military) in 1943 and was an Officer of the American Legion of Merit.

In 1946 he returned to the London Power Company where he was engaged in the construction of the Deptford and Battersea power stations. After nationalizaton he became Generation Engineer (Construction) of the newly established Central Electricity Generating Authority; by 1951 he was Deputy Chief Engineer.

Thus from 1948 to 1955 he had an important role in the national programme for all power station construction in the United Kingdom, and was increasingly acknowledged as an international authority on generating vast quantities of electricity. He also chaired several key government committees including the Minister of Fuel and Power's Liaison Committee.

In 1955 he resigned from the CEGB being out of sympathy with nationalization and was offered a directorship in Foster Wheeler Ltd. He became managing director there, as well as a director of Rolls Royce Associates and the Foster Wheeler/John Brown Consortium. He was involved in the manufacture of the heat exchangers in the power plant for the British built nuclear submarine fleet, producing equipment that was consistently delivered on time and on cost.

From 1961 onwards, on medical advice having previously suffered a heart attack he reduced his extensive responsibilities. In 1968 he retired and turned his full attention to his work as a JP in which he excelled.

He had been a keen oarsman, stroking the Twickenham Rowing Club Four at Henley in 1924, and was an Hon Life Member of the Club.

ERNEST TUBB

Ernest Tubb, the country music singer known as "The Texas Troubadour" died in Nashville, Tennessee, on September 6. He was 70.

One of the early stars of the Grand Ole Opry radio programme he was a well known exponent of the honky tonk sound and was the sixth member elected to the Country Music Hall of Fame. He was perhaps best known for his version of "I'm Walkin' the Floor Over You", but other characteristic recordings included "Waltz Across Texas", "Tomorrow Never Comes" and "Filipino Baby".

His Ernest Tubb record shop from where for years he broadcast his Midnight Jamboree radio show, is a landmark in Nashville.

Major-General Robert Beverely Pargiter, CB, CBE, late Royal Artillery, died on September 2 aged 95. During the war he commanded Anti-Aircraft forces and was Major-General Anti-Aircraft at Allied Force HQ N Africa and Central Mediterranean Forces. He was Colonel Commandant RA 1951-1954.

THE ARTS

Theatre in Canada

Seeking the dance of language

The Province of Ontario may be large enough to contain most of Western Europe, but is is still quite a shock to make the two-hour trip from Niagara-on-the-Lake to Stratford – the respective homes of the Shaw Festival and the Shakespearian Festival.

Niagara, the original capital, is an exceedingly pretty tourist town, surrounded by vineyards and fruit farms, where every step brings you up against another antique shop or immaculately preserved relic of the American War of 1812. Quit the shelter of the Niagara Escarpment, and its lush micro-climate gives way to the featureless plains of Southern Ontario, leading on to the snowbelt territory of Stratford which, for all its softening Warwickshire echoes (a man-made Avon in a province containing 40,000 natural lakes!), asserts the severe redbrick profile of Scottish Presbyterian Canada.

Something of this contrast is reflected in the two festivals: Niagara filling its three theatres with the help of sightseeing visitors, and Stratford attracting a strictly theatregoing public. As the only surviving classical repertory theatre on the North American continent, Stratford needs no introduction. Niagara still does, altough it is now into its twenty-third season.

Founded by a local Shavian enthusiast with the aim of repairing the town's declining tourist trade, the Shaw Festival started life as a community operation, survived on its reputation as a lightweight summer entertainment, and prospered sufficiently to build a handsome 863-seat theatre. Then, in 1980, the board appointed a new artistic director, Christopher Newton, a British-born Canadian nationalist, who reluctantly abandoned a flourishing company in Vancouver to transform the so-called "Shoddy Festival" into a serious event. His first moves were to double its output, set about building an acting ensemble, and establish the policy which he describes as "selling fine art to tourists". Not all of this was to the board's taste; but a turning point was reached in 1982 with his production of *Cyrano de Bergerac*, which sliced some $9,000 from the inherited deficit and catapulted a comedian called Heath Lamberts into stardom.

What, you may ask, has such an outfit to do with making stars? And what is *Cyrano* doing in company with Shaw? One answer to the first question is that Mr Lamberts is now off the scene; and this year's casting fully reflects Newton's belief that Canada has no time for heroes or heroworship. ("Our idea of the individual", he says, "is the mad trapper.") The second answer is that this never has been an exclusively Shavian event; and that, under Newton, it has become more than ever a pretext for staging anything written during Shaw's lifetime from Rostand to this year's Thornton Wilder.

Shaw in this year of the Ontario bicentenary is represented by *Androcles and the Lion* and *The Devil's Disciple* – an event closely matched by the daily manoeuvres of drilling and musket-cleaning redcoats in the Fort George compound, facing the theatre. Other main shows include Coward's *The Vortex*, Labiche's *Célimare* and what seems to be the English-speaking première of *The Lost Letter*, by Romania's national playwright Ion Caragiale. From any of these, I might have derived a wholly different impression from that of the two productions I did see.

The first was a truly dreadful revival of Jerome Kern's 1933 fashion-parade musical Roberta, from which not even songs like "I Won't Dance" and "Smoke Gets in Your Eyes" emerged unscathed. The other was Mr Newton's production of The Skin of Your Teeth, which showed a capable and virile company led by a visually resourceful animator.

Where Mr Newton departs from Wilder's stage directions it is always for the better: as in the postwar tableau of Sabina, apparently floating aloft in long white draperies like a goddess of peace, until the lights go up to reveal her squatting on top of a step-ladder. But, not for the first time in Canada, energy is apt to swamp everything else. The show sweeps you along from one stage joke to the next, without underpinning the identification between suburban banality and human aspiration from which the jokes spring. When Wilder's meaning does crystallize – in lines like "In war you think about a better life; in peace you think about a more comfortable one" – you have to strain your ears to pick it up.

The big development in Stratford, since my last visit two years ago, is the establishment of The Third Stage – a cunning miniature replica of the original Festival Theatre design, housed in a lakeside community centre. The Third Stage is a classical gymnasium where young Canadian actors can build a technique alongside senior members of the company, with the chance of future transfer to the main house. One such senior member is John Neville, now a Canadian citizen and a candidate for artistic directorship of the festival after John Hirsch's 1985 retirement. Last year Neville made his Stratford debut as Armado in Michael Langham's production of Love's Labour's Lost. That production has now reached the Festival Theatre, complete with its young Canadian court; while Langham's production of Henry IV Part 1 is installed at The Third Stage – combining apprentices with troupers like Douglas Campbell and Nicholas Pennell – all set for a similar transfer next season.

Of these two shows, it is the older one that betrays the wider split between the new boys and the veterans. Perhaps because of the added difficulty of early Shakespearian verse, it is the bodies that dance; the language does not. As an absolute master of Stratford's open stage, Langham presents some breathtaking patterns of movement, from the impromptu dances that ebb and flow round a pair of tree stumps to the moment when the girls shoot down the stag with a volley of arrows narrowly missing Costard and Jaquenetta.

From the opening sight of a wild party dissolving into Handelian solemnity, the show is full of delicate visual wit. But some of the lead performances take some explaining. Douglas Campbell's treatment of Costard as a rollicking Irish buffoon, for instance; and Nicholas Pennell's lecherous, flea-ridden, farting Holofernes. Mr Neville's Armado presents the faithful picture of a Quixotic bag of bones, soothing the air with fastidiously saintly cadences; but even he affects a weird gravity-defying walk that leaves you feeling that his spider's-web costume needs to be topped off with a pair of moon boots.

In *Henry IV*, the visual impact is fully matched by all the other elements. The show opens in darkness to the sound of a scourge, and the lights go up on the bleeding shoulders of the King (John Franklyn-Robbins), whose agonized division between conscience and politics is embodied in the flanking groups of clergy and militia at the vomitory doors.

From the Gad's Hill hold-up to the ugly slaughter of Hotspur, comic and historical climaxes are as big as you could wish; but this is the opposite of an energy show. The first we see of Douglas Campbell's Falstaff, he is slumped in gloom, anything but the life and soul of the party; Hal's announcement that "the land is burning" is a quiet statement of fact – urgent practicalities drive out heroics.

Out of this there develops a purposeful style that all but heals the division between the young actors and the old hands. Joseph Ziegler, an ineffectual Berowne, is in full command of Hotspur, while David Ferry, a Micky Rooney-like figure with insolent eyes and a wide, obstinate mouth, presents a mean, slumming Hal who really does pull himself up from the dregs.

John Neville reappears to more ample view as Shylock in a new main-house production of The Merchant of Venice by the young American director Mark Lamos. In an interesting programme note, Mr Lamos relates the play to the Shrovetide associations of its first performance in 1605 – in particular to the pre-Lenten paradox of penance and festivity. I doubt whether any spectator could have deduced this from the production itself, which opens (like this year's Chichester version) in the smoky debris of an eighteenth-century Venetian carnival, and proceeds by slanting the action heavily in favour of the Jew.



Brian Bedford's powerfully memorable Tartuffe, with Domini Blythe's triumphant Elmire

My best experience at Stratford lay outside the Shakespearian repertory, in the revival of John Hirsch's production of Tartuffe. Hirsch, like Mr Lamos, contributes an interesting programme note, but in his case the analogy between Molière's *dévots* and the world of Scientology and Born-Again Christians does relate directly to events on stage. From the sight of that disrupted household, with secretly gorging servants and bullying in-laws, to the arrival of the brain-washed Orgon, any Californian cult-deprogrammer would have felt the need to offer his services.

Hirsch uses the verse translation of Richard Wilbur, who excels in compressing thought and character into strict metre. The production is the latest proof of the English-speaking theatre's new-found capacity to play serious work in rhymed couplets.

Pat Galloway's Lancashire Dorine, banging the foolish lovers' heads together, Domini Blythe's Elmire, triumphantly contemplating her husband with his guru's hand up her skirt, not to mention Douglas Campbell's crazily businesslike Orgon (the best performance I have ever seen from this booming performer) only gain in character and narrative drive from the dance of language.

Brian Bedford's performance as Tartuffe is one even to overshadow the memory of the RSC's Antony Sher: a confidence trickster, inspiring full confidence with quiet humility, sitting twisting his hat in his hands as accusations break above his head as though they had nothing to do with him, and preserving his pious, regretful manner even when evicting his patron's family. He shows his inner nature only in a blood-chilling smile: once in private, finally to his victims as the militia are rushing him out of the door. "I like something cheerful", said the Chicago lady in the next seat. "I didn't like that 'Waiting for Turandot', but I like this."

Irving Wardle

PUBLISHING

First of all . . .

Arthur Barker, the sports and down-market imprint of Weidenfeld & Nicolson, announce in their autumn list "the first biography of *Neil Kinnock*", subtitled "The Path to Leadership", by G. M. F. Drower, described as "a talented new author".

What then to make of *The Making of Neil Kinnock* by Robert Harris (an "acclaimed" author), coming from Faber & Faber two months later? The catalogue describes it as "the first authoritative biography of the Left's new leader". Maybe "the first definitive biography" of Mr Kinnock will be rushed out for publication before Christmas?

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Who wrote "Come fill up my cup, come fill up my can"? Sir Walter Scott, according to quite the daftest book I have seen in many a day, *Lager Lovelies*. Published by the shrewd Richard Drew of Glasgow, it is the story of how Tennents developed the world's largest collection of beer-can advertising. It includes "unpublished pin-up pictures of the original Lager Lovelies and of Ann, Tennents' first can girl".

As an appendix, there is "the definitive catalogue of over one thousand cans – all can designs are illustrated in full colour". Foolish, I would say. This "history of the can" is a very classy paperback, at £2.95. That the copyright is credited not to the author but to the publishers and Tennent Caledonian Breweries Ltd explains all.

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The Royal Society of Literature is, if not exactly desperate for new members, keen to welcome them. As membership is limited to 300, it cannot be doing too well. Members need not be authors; a "genuine" interest in literature is sufficient. The 300 are entitled to attend ordinary meetings of the Society, and to receive each year a copy of that most boringly if hilariously named volume culled from lectures delivered annually by Fellows of the Society, *Essays by Divers Hands*.

George IV founded the RSL in 1823, its purpose being to encourage and support "all that is best" in English letters, and a catholic appreciation of literature. The current president is Sir Angus Wilson, whose predecessor was Lord Butler. The council of 14 eminent writers (chairman, C. M. Woodhouse) meets monthly. It elects Fellows, who tend to be authors of distinction (they would hardly not be), although scholars whose work is substantially in the field of editorship are also eligible. The highest honour bestowed by the Society is the Companion of Literature (C.Lit.), which is limited to a maximum of 10 Companions at any one time. At present these include Samuel Beckett, David Cecil, Graham Greene, William Golding, Philip Larkin, Ruth Pitter, Stephen Spender and Angus Wilson.

The RSL makes two annual awards, the Heinemann Bequest and the Winifred Holtby Memorial Award, and gives the A. C. Benson Silver Medal for outstanding services to literature to such as Sacheverell Sitwell and A. L. Rowse. If all this sounds worthy but dull, commiserate with Euan Cameron, recently appointed publicity adviser to the Royal Society of Literature.

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A book that, down the years, has not been much reviewed is *First Steps in Winemaking* by C. J. J. Barry. Best-sellers come and go but, as the Hemel Hempstead publishers Argus Books point out, few titles sell two million copies and, 24 years after publication, continue to sell at the rate of approximately 2,000 copies per week. No doubt Mr Barry's book has contributed to the fact that 14 per cent of the population now makes its own wine.

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The Edinburgh publisher Paul Harris has come up with a new excuse or justification for the *late dispatch of royalty cheques*. He has broken his left arm, and happens to be left-handed. If he is not the only director of the firm allowed to sign authors' cheques why then should they be late?

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An author writes to agree with what I said recently "about publishers' tardiness, except when their bank balances are likely to benefit".

She continues: "How about following it up with a few comments on the way their editorial offices are conducted – e.g. nobody ever seems to be able to answer the telephone before 10.30am (and often not then), or in the (12.00-3.30pm) lunch hours, on Friday afternoons, Monday mornings, etc, etc? And when someone *does* answer as often as not they're *bone ignorant, unhelpful or* both." How could I add to that?

E. J. Craddock

Television

Terrorism that still startles

Though terrorism is commonplace, the thought of the Welsh being caught up in it still startles the mind. Paul Ferris's play *The Extremist*, on BBC2 on Saturday was based on the bombing campaign in Wales in the late 1960s. Though the outcome could be well remembered, Richard Lewis's production, well photographed, maintained its pace and tension for its 90 minutes.

Iyfed Thomas played John Jenkins, the aberrant army sergeant and part-time bandsman with a head full of misleading Celtic voices, who was responsible for blowing up pipelines and unoccupied buildings. He made a fine, obsessive, cheerless job of him.

Jenkins's luck broke the night before Prince Charles's investiture at Caernarvon in July 1969, when two of his associates blew themselves up with their own bomb. A few days later a child was seriously injured after finding and detonating an unexploded bomb. The conspiracy sprang leaks and Jenkins was jailed for 10 years.

The play had sterling performances by Philip Madoc as a police chief, Clifford Evans as Jenkins's uncle, William Thomas as an inexorable police inspector and Aubrey Richards as a nationalist editor – this character a fiction by Mr Ferris.

Granada's *Scarman Returns*, on Channel 4 last night, had Lord Scarman on the scene of the 1981 Brixton riots to find out whether the recommendations of his enquiry had borne any fruit.

The good news, he said, was that peace had been maintained and that efforts by both had made police and community relations better. Certainly they are talking, not always amiably as we saw, and, under the Lay Visitors' Scheme – an idea worth spreading – people can pop into each of Brixton's five police stations on 60 days of the year to keep an eye on the law.

The bad news, said Lord Scarman, was that the underlying social tensions remained. Young Blacks still thought racial disadvantage was inescapable and still needed to be sold on the British way of life. Unemployment has doubled in Brixton in four years and there are 50 applicants for each vacancy. Lord Scarman saw *beginnings* "like the human embryo, great potentially but a terrible present frailty". Rachel Hebditch produced a good programme.

Dennis Hackett

Opera

Osud/ Mahagonny Songs
Coliseum

Osud has waited long. The cracking bud of Janáček's late maturity, it was not staged until 1958, *half a century after its* composition, and then remained practically unknown to the composer's many British admirers until the blinding revelation last summer of a concert performance under Simon Rattle. That occasion was soon followed by the announcement of a production at the Coliseum, as one had hoped it would be. But then I at least must admit to some subsequent misgivings.

Surely there were abundant dramatic problems in the jostling of tiny character parts in the first act, the sudden mortal fall out of a window of two principals at the end of the second, and the presentation of strands from art and life that become knotted in the finale. For *Osud* is an opera about the composition of an opera, and at the same time a virtuoso demonstration of how not to compose anything that could be easily assimilated to the normal *course of operatic entertainment*.

One need not, though, have worried. David Pountney, as in the best of his other productions, has found the place where *Osud* can be made to work: largely upon the revolve, in a set of stark black and white designed by Stefanos Lazaridis and lit by Matthew Richardson, a photographic space centred on a grand piano and hung about with vast polythene drapes. The *slow-moving revolve*, segmented by the dully glistening polythene, works wonderfully to sort out the tiny episodes of the first act and give them a film-like continuity. Then the nightmare spin meshes perfectly with the music of catastrophe at the close of the second act, where a potentially ludicrous episode is made surgically clean. And the simple device of the central piano makes it possible for the *composer Zivny to slip easily* between the roles of hero of Janáček's opera and author of *his own*.

But, if the problems in staging the work have been brilliantly solved, the problems of its subject-matter remain. Indeed, it is Mr Pountney's achievement to have sharpened them. Beyond the matter of art and life, the opera is shown as being about the inescapable, searing influence of the past on *the present: hence, perhaps, the* desperation with which Janáček's ostinatos latch on to moments of time and repeat them incessantly. It is a work about Destiny, and I cannot think why the Coliseum have not given the English title to the opera, which is of course sung in translation.

Philip Langridge and Eilene Hannan, the stars of last year's Czech-language performance, have thus had to re-learn their parts, but both throw their voices with quite as much beautiful, elegant agility around the English words. Since one can now understand what he sings, Mr Langridge's performance seems as psychologically acute as it is musically fine, while Miss Hannan responds fully to her lyrical flights. All the other parts are skilfully executed; only the orchestra has yet to meet entirely Mark Elder's driving passion in the pit.

Given without intervals, *Osud* is a short opera, and it makes sense to couple it with something entirely different: the *Mahagonny Songs* that Weill set as a sketch for his full-length collaboration with Brecht. Here again there are production difficulties, which Keith Hack goes a long way towards surmounting with his dangerous mix of circus and Wild West. The chief remaining obstacle is that this cabaret with 12-piece band was not made for a barn like the Coliseum: the music cannot cut very deep, despite Lionel Friend's stylish direction, and the singers have to make a big gesture where a wink should suffice. There is nothing here to compete with the power and authority of the Janáček.

Paul Griffiths

Promenade Concert

BBCSO/Davies
Albert Hall/Radio 3

Dennis Russell Davies is an interesting acquisition for the BBC *Symphony Orchestra*: along with Peter Eötvös, he helps to fill the gap that is still *painfully felt following* the departure of Boulez and then of Michael Gielen, especially in the mainstream twentieth-century repertory. Davies is a brilliant clarifier of new and difficult music (propelling the hypnotic repetitions of Philip Glass's operas in Stuttgart, or elucidating some uptown New York construction with the American Composers' Orchestra). His style is crisp, his beat brittle.

Which makes it the more surprising that he was entrusted with Friday night's Prom, which though largely twentieth-century was also full of late (or perhaps pre-neo) romantic *music, culminating in Zemlinsky's* long, luscious *Lyric Symphony*. The problem with *Davies's style for this music is* that it carries so little weight: the pulse is clipped into place, the rhythm is maintained and the structure firmly pointed, but it was left to the splendidly eloquent soloists, Elizabeth Connell and Dale Duesing, to bring the full rhapsodic quality of Zemlinsky's Tagore settings to the surface.

Strauss's *Don Juan* made a similarly muted effect, for here Davies's sharp-edged sword tended to cut the music in two. The BBC Symphony Orchestra, which has given a great many remarkable performances during this Prom season, simply *did not play as a unit*; there were odd rhythmic and harmonic imbalances, and little feeling of a continuously developing line, which was unfortunate, because the energy and drive of the reading was never in doubt, and the BBC horns were as resilient as ever.

So it was left to Ravel's Piano Concerto to provide the evening's highlight: a sparkling, perfectly placed account by Philip Fowke, in which the jazzy and lyrical elements were, as all too rarely happens, brought together into a coherent *unit*. The slow movement's melody was perhaps dug a little hard into the keys, without *enough rise and fall, but it* was impossible to quarrel with the deliciously light, bubbling figurations of the outer movements, or with the sudden eruptions of a wilder mood. The sparse economy of the piece contrasted rather violently with the expansiveness of the Zemlinsky: what on earth would Ravel have made of the *Lyric Symphony*?

Nicholas Kenyon

London theatre

Waiting for Lefty
Sir Richard Steele

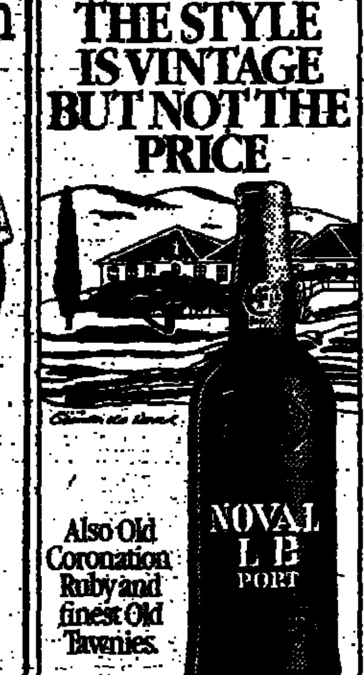
The great American critic Harold Clurman wrote, admittedly late in life, that Clifford Odets was never a political playwright and that the yearning of his Depression characters for a better life was not essentially connected with his radicalism.

But this unique piece, first staged in 1935 and now resurfacing after three major Odets productions at a pregnant moment, is a passionate call for strike action, grafted on to intimate scenes as sharply realized as any that he was to write in the next two or three years. How well the agitprop and the realistic writing coexist is questionable. What is not in doubt is *his* gift for superbly direct dramatic speech. "We're at the bottom of the ocean", says the wife of the taxi-driver bringing home six or seven dollars a week. "Who's the man, you or me? . . . We're stalled like a flivver in the snow." And later: "The world's supposed to be for all of us."

Robert Shaw's revival in this Hampstead pub theatre (up Haverstock Hill from Chalk Farm) achieves the passion one can hope for in fringe productions, channelled by a sense of style and period that few achieve.

The tension is between sizzlingly convincing dialogue and naive ideas as much as between human reality and politics. "You'll get an A1 performance because *I need* the job", cries the actor. But performances like Shelly Thompson as the taxi-driver's wife, telling him to "get brass toes on your shoes and know where to kick", have the kind of gutsiness that tells no lies. And you may notice, among a cast without a weak link, Peter Barnes and Andy Lucas eye to eye over whether $30 extra a month is worth a man's soul, Peter Carlisle as a dry old doctor whose will to fight survives his strength, and Nicholas Donavan and Sharon Eckman clinching desperately in a dance that can only last one side of a 78.

Anthony Masters





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2,980,000	Tomkinsons	100	−2	7.1	6.9	13.4
88.8m	Tootal	52½	+½	3.6	6.8	9.5
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THE TIMES
FINANCE AND INDUSTRY
Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

Bringing enterprise to coal industry

It may not seem tactful for the Adam Smith Institute to come out with plans for dismemberment of the National Coal Board and its area-by-area privatization on the Stock Exchange when most interested parties – and most urgently the TUC general council – were prepared to mouth any soothing and impractical form of words to orchestrate the restarting of talks between the Coal Board and the National Union of Mineworkers yesterday.

It is not the function of ideological pressure groups to be tactful. Indeed, by eschewing the blandness of the moment these fringe champions of the free market have provided a well-timed reminder of what the dispute was really about and of three consequences more important in the long run than the immediate talks.

- The strike has highlighted how the artificially created identity of the coal market with the Coal Board and the State has both provoked political disputes and allowed an industry that could finance itself to require £1 billion a year from taxpayers indefinitely.
- The budgetary cost of the stoppage which will be felt with full force only once the strike is over, will force the Government to rethink its financial policy towards coal.
- Ministers will therefore need to be wary of being party to any settlement that commits them to maintaining the structure of the coal industry in its present form.

Tough conditions

The Coal Board is more than the State owner of coal mines. It controls opencast mining operations which last year made £200m profit, producing 12 per cent of the nation's coal output, in contrast to £600m losses on deep mining. It also acts as the licensing authority for permitted small private deep mines and small private opencast operations. As the Adam Smith Institute report on energy policy points out, these have been held back to protect the Coal Board's own more costly deep mines output in tough market conditions.

This triple role, with the effective control of imports and manipulation of the electricity monopoly at the cost of high energy prices, laid the ground for the coal industry to develop as that outpost of Eastern Block economics uncovered in the Monopolies and Mergers Commission's investigation two years ago. Global plans and managers' budgets started with physical output norms rather than economics.

This set-up has encouraged successive governments to saddle the Coal Board with the cost of subsidence and environmental damage occurred long ago and the problems of mining communities stranded with uneconomic pits – lagacies that are rightly the responsibility of the community as a whole, rather than a competitive energy producer.

Such artificial curbs on the competition, more than any ideological ambitions of Mr Arthur Scargill, have also politicized the NUM. As those socialist miners who once resisted the campaign for nationalization feared, any strike is a conflict with the State.

Moreover, concentration of this strategic commodity in the hands of the State has made its supply less secure than it would be in a freer market. For instance, coal still being produced at opencast sites by members of the Transport and General Workers' Union, employed by companies contracted to the NCB Opencast Executive, is being piled up immobile on site but paid for by the taxpayer.

Finally, this structure spawned the Plan for Coal. Whatever the arguments about who is breaching the provisions of the compact over productivity and pit closures, the fatal flaw of such a plan can be seen in its underlying assumption that the British energy consumption would be 100,000 tonnes coal equivalent more in 1985 than now seems likely.

Even Mr. Ian MacGregor has to some extent fallen in with this language with his talk of correcting over-production. From the taxpayers' point of view, the mild acceleration of closures that set off the strike was a matter of cost, not quantity.

Nearly half of output had been profitable, two-fifths loss-making within a range that made it worth nursing for better markets, improved technology and productivity to make it viable. But roughly one-tenth was so irretrievably loss-making that it accounted for most of the losses.

When the strike ends, the Government will be faced with a different situation. On the Coal Board's offered formula, it appears closures will at least temporarily be slowed. Deterioration of faces would dictate an acceleration, if they are not to absorb more taxes. The need for extra maintenance and investment to restore other faces will also have pushed many marginal pits into the thoroughly uneconomic category.

Unless miners' wage levels are penalized stocks are not rebuilt, or investment in new low-cost mines and new technology is delayed, the Coal Board will absorb even more public money over the next couple of years than last year's £1.3 billion. One way out of this is to change the structure of the industry to ease the burden on the Exchequer.

The Adam Smith Institute offers a sensible framework for restructuring. The production and regulating functions of the Coal Board should be split and the freehold of coal reserves vested in a new National Coal Trust, which would be responsible for licensing public or private operators, possibly for a royalty.

The report suggests private opencast operators should immediately be licensed for larger deposits as recommended by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. But this split would also enable rapid privatization by sale of the Coal Board's opencast operations, where most workers, apart from administrative and technical staff, are already employed by private companies. The Treasury, through the Trust, would than take on its responsibility for aiding mining communities hit by pit closures.

The second stage raised by the institute would be to license new mine developments such as Asfordby to private groups. This would both raise cash and cut the investment bills – £400m for Asfordby alone. But it would destroy the Coal Board's proper plans to offer continuity of employment by transferring men from old to new pits and add to eventual redundancy costs.

Long memories

The third stage of the institute's competition plan, to privatize areas as they become profitable, or with tapering subsidies, needs rethinking in more imaginative terms. Miners have long memories of suffering under the private coal owners, especially in times of poor markets and closures. The special solidarity of separation underground and in the mining communities may have sharpened feelings, but the causes are real enough.

Even with minority worker shareholding, conventional privatization would everywhere be seen as an attack, not progress, destroying the benefits brought to other businesses. And areas where miners are still working, such as north Nottinghamshire and the south Midlands (excluding Kent), would be prime candidates – an irony for Mr Scargill.

The independence of mines in these areas and the hostilities within the NUM could, on the other hand, make them a test-bed for full worker ownership in coal. That is surely the right way to bring that combination of competitive realism and an end to management-worker confrontation that neither conventional capitalism nor state monopoly have won.

The NUM's present addiction to the socialism of conflict has so far ruled it out. Now it may be practical. Legal structures are available. Finance for purchase could be aided by the part-transfer of pension funds, though that carries risk. And the ability to secure loans on tonnage would facilitate investment on an area scale.

Such a scheme, with opencast privatization, could bring 40 per cent of coal output out of the state sector, and foster the spirit of enterprise more fundamentally than a few cut-price shares for telephone subscribers. The Government should certainly offer it to the miners of Nottingham.

Graham Searjeant
Financial Editor

Reagan likely to agree further curbs on steel imports

From Bailey Morris, Washington

President Reagan is poised to grant restrictions on steel imports from Europe and the Third World, according t informed sources in Washington.

In a move bound to worsen relations with its main trading partners, observers say President Reagan will decide by a September 24 deadline to limit steel imports to 15 per cent of the American market.

High-pressure lobbying is likely this week as White House officials meet behind closed-doors to the Administrations' response to the US steel industry's unprecedented demands for protection.

Late last week, President Reagan resisted political pressure from the US copper industry by rejecting its demands for top quotas or tariffs on exports from the heavily-indebted copper producing countries of Chile, Zaire, Zambia and Peru.

A leading EEC official said over the weekend that the copper decision gave Mr Reagan the political leeway to grant protection to the powerful domestic steel industry.

The community has made clear to Reagan Administration officials that any additional restraints on European imports, which are already subject to a restrictive quota agreement, would invite retaliation and worsen diplomatic relations.

There has already been an outcry over new US curbs on textile imports.

China has severely criticized the new rules. The Communist Party newspaper, *China People's Daily*, accused Washington of adopting "harsh and discriminatory" trade measures while flaunting the banner of free trade.

The chinese claim that new United States "country of origin" regulations on imported textiles, effective from Friday or in some cases deferred until October 31., threaten more than 100,000 Chinese jobs and violate Sino-US and international trade pacts.

"There is no reason to assume the United States can unilaterally violate international agreements and restrict and harm others, without inviting counter-measures," the commentary said.

But official United States sources doubt whether China will retaliate, despite its exports to the United States rising almost 20 per cent in 1983 and 46 per cent in the first half of this year.

Last week officials of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade urged the US Administration to roll back the textile curbs

The European Community, Japan, Canada and Third World countries criticized the United States for the policy which was adopted under pressure from the domestic textile industry,

In response to the criticism, American officials agreed to review the new policy, to tighten country of origin labelling and launch investigations into the export practice of 13 nations.

The United States has been criticized strongly by both the developed and developing nations for adopting protectionist policies which violate its commitment at the London economic summit of Western nations and to Gatt.

'Imps stake for Hanson'

Speculation is growing over the future of Imperial Group.

Unconfirmed weekend reports suggested that Hanson Trust has built up a stake of more than 15 million shares, or 2 per cent of the total, in the group. There are also suggestions in the City that the group will soon be disposing of Howard Johnson, its US hotels and restaurant offshoot,

Imperial Group was widely criticized for paying too much when it bought Howard Johnson in June 1980 for $680m (£280m at the exchange rate then). But the decline in the value of the pound against the dollar since means that it can now sell Howard Johnson at well below purchase price without showing a loss on the deal.

BOARD MEETINGS

TODAY – Interims: Bridgewater Estates, Richard Clay, Doscutter, Low and Bonar, Micro Business Systems, Ramco Oil Services, Rockware, Systems Reliability, Talbot. **Finals:** Murray Ventures, Our Price.
TOMORROW – Interims: British Aerospace, Connolls Estates Agents, Falcon Resources, SW Farmer, Hartons Group, Home Charm Group, I and J Hyman, Johnsen and Jorgensen Packaging, London Park Hotels, Lewis Howard-Spink Campbell-Ewald, Microvitec, Phoenix Assurance, Save and Prosper Gold Fund, Trade Indemnity, Willis Faber. **Finals:** Continental Microwave Holdings, London Merchant Securities, Zotters.
WEDNESDAY – Interims: Aurora, Blockleys, BTR, Costain, Dares Estates, Expamet Metal, James Fisher, J Hewitt (Fenton) Legal and General, London United Investments, Petranol, H & J Quick, United Biscuits, VG Instruments. **Finals:** Celtic Haven, Robert M Douglas, London Shop Property Trust, Russell Brothers (Paddington), Shealbank Property Trust, Sirdar, Staffordshire Potteries, United Real Property Trust.
THURSDAY – Interims: Appleyard Group, Associated British Ports, Bemrose, Bostobell, Biddle Holdings, Boddingtons, Bowater, British Mohair Holdings, Brown Boveri Kent, Burmah Oil, Delta Group, European Ferries, Hickson International, Highcroft Investment Trust, Nationwide Leisure, Owners Abroad Group, Prudential Corporation, Reuters Holdings, Royal Dutch Petroleum, Shell Transport and Trading, Sharna Ware, Tricentrol, Turner and Newall, Westpool Investment Trust, Wolstenholme Rink. **Finals:** Coronation Syndicate, General Mining Union Corporation, John Kent, Kwahu, Telefusion, Tweefontein United Colliers, Thomas Walker. **FRIDAY – Interims:** Banro Industries, Breedon Cloud Hill Lime Works, Horace Cory, Early's of Whitney, Macallan-Glenlivet, Morgan Crucible, GW Sparrow, Woodhouse and Rixson. **Finals:** Bristol Channel Ship Repairers, Don Brothers Buist, Harmony Gold Mining (AMD).

Record first half at Laird

By Jeremy Warner

Laird Group yesterday reported record profits for the first half year. On sales up from £143.3m to £153m, its pretax profits rose from £9.5m to £10.9m despite a severe fall in the contribution of Metro-Cammell, the group's big Birmingham-based rolling stock manufacturer.

Profits were also adversely affected by the German metal sorkers' strike which meant that the group's German subsidiary was throughout most of June and caused a drop of about 15 per cent in the contribution of the motor components division to group profits.

However, these factors were more than offset by a good improvement in the engineering group's other two main divisions; specialist engineering and service industries.

Sir Ian Morrow: on the lookout for acquisitions

Specialist engineering was helped by loss elimination at both New York Twist Drill Corporation which makes cutting tools, and Burnley Engineering Products. New York Twist broke even after losing more than £1m in the corresponding period of last year and Burnley, which makes precision components, swung from losses of £500,000 to healthy profits.

Metro-Cammell has been hit by a severe decline in orders. It has been trimming back its workforce for several years and recently announced another big round of redundancies after failing to win a £200m rolling stock contract in Singapore and a £22m British Rail order for diesel multiple units.

The group has a strong balance sheet and is on the lookout for acquisitions. Sir Ian Morrow, the chairman has appointed a special corporate researcher to seek out acquisition opportunites.

An interim dividend of 2.3p against 2.2p last time is being recommended.

President of Disney resigns

From Ivor Davis, Los Angeles

Hollywood is wondering who will take over the reins of Walt Disney Productions after the resignation over the weekend of Mr Ronald Miller president and chief executive officer of the film company.

He has been with the studio for more than 30 years and is the son-in-law of the late Walt Disney.

The vice-chairman of Warner Brothers, Mr Frank Wells, and the former Twentieth Century Fox chairman, Mr Dennis Stanfill, have been tipped as contenders to replace Mr Miller.

Mr Miller has been accused of running the company as a small cottage industry rather than the multi-divisional corporate enterprise it has become. Last year Disney's revenues were $1.3 billion (£1.02 billion) from its entertainment and recreational business.

He has tried to persuade Disney to make more adult-themed films, including the *Splash* comedy, which was released by Disney under its Touchstone banner.

However, Disney executives were upset by Mr Miller's handling of the takeover attempt by Mr Saul Steinberg, which resulted in a $325m buyback. It is believed to have damaged Mr Miller's standing in the company.

Lonrho plan to unseat Fraser chief

By Philip Robinson

A campaign to oust Professor Roland Smith from the chairmanship of House of Fraser has been launched by the stores group's largest shareholder, Lonrho.

Barred by a government promise from using its near 30 per cent shareholding to vote against the reelection of Professor Smith, Lonrho is urging other shareholders to defeat his reappointment to the board.

Lonrho, with 46 million of the 154 million total votes, will oppose the reelection of Mr Ernest Sharp, appointed to the Fraser board with Professor Smith in August 1980

In a circular to Fraser shareholders, Lonrho says that since the death of the company's founder, Lord Fraser of Allander, in 1966, Fraser has increased its profits sixfold. By contrast, under Mr Roland "Tiny" Rowland, Lonrho's profits have increased 700 times.

A Fraser spokesman said yesterday that Lonrho's record was appalling. Its earnings on shareholders' funds have dropped 50 per cent since 1977 and its earnings per share have dropped by a third over the same period.

Lotus share sale expected

By Ian Griffiths

Shareholdings in Group Lotus are set for another shake-up after moves by the family of Mr Colin Chapman, the car company's founder, who died in 1982, to reduce its 19 per cent stake in the business.

The proposed disposals have been discussed by the Lotus board and Mr David Wickins, the chairman, has been given the authority to oversee the sale. No formal decision has yet been taken but the most likely purchaser will be Mr Wickins's British Car Auction Group or Midepsa, the investment company which is part owned by BCA a Mr Michael Ashcroft's Hawley Group.

Mr Chapman's widow owns 4 per cent of Group Lotus and a further 15 per cent is held in trust for the family. The trustees want to reduce their holding to provide a better balance for the trusts' portfolio. Mrs Chapman is understood to have considered selling her stake.

BCA already has a 25 per cent stake in Group Lotus and Midepsa a 14 per cent holding.

Mexican debt deal nearer

New York (Reuter) – Mexico and an advisory group of banks have formally agreed to reschedule $49bn (£38.43bn) of foreign debt over 14 years at reduced interest rates, indicating a new approach to Third World debts.

The rescheduling, which the 13-bank advisory group and government officials have to persuade 550 creditor banks to accept, far surpasses any arrangement in terms of the amount of debt and the payback period.

The key factor in the arrangement is a switch in interest rates to the London interbank offered rate of 12 per cent from the current US prime rate of 13 per cent.

STOCK EXCHANGES

Change on week
FT-SE 100 Index: 1099.3 down 4.6
FT Index: 851.7 down 2.0
FT Gilts: 79.49 down 0.26
FT All Share: 518.58 down 1.89
Bargains: 19,920
Datastream USM Leaders Index: 102.56 up 0.51
New York: Dow Jones Industrial Average: 1207.38 down 10.26
Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones Index 10,500.7 down 83.50
Hongkong: Hang Seng Index 940.55 up 13.77
Amsterdam: 166.0 up 1.50
Sydney: AO Index 724.9 down 8.5
Frankfurt: Commerzbank Index 994.9 up 3.0

CURRENCIES

LONDON
Change on week
Sterling
$1.2755 down 335pts
Index 77.6 down 0.5
DM 3.8050 up 0.025
FrF 11.6650 up 0.0775
Yen 313.50 down 2.5
Dollar
Index 139.4 up 2.9
DM 2.9820 up 0.096
NEW YORK
Sterling $1.2710
Dollar DM 2.9930
INTERNATIONAL
ECU £0.590181
SDR £0.705920

US chain plans European expansion

Marriott leads hotel invasion

By Derek Harris, Commercial Editor

Marriott, one of the top 10 international hotel chains, is planning a big European expansion. Britain is the prime target with hotels likely to be established in London and the provinces.

Marriott, based in Washington D C, wants to build on its one foothold in Britain, the former Europa Hotel, just off Grosvenor Square in Mayfair. The Europa bought from Grand Metropolitan for about £14m and is being refurbished at a cost of up to £7.5m.

Marriott will end up with a top-class hotel for less than £80,000 a bedroom, compared with new building costs of more than £100,000 a bedroom and the £140,000 a room paid when the Dorchester changed hands.

Marriott wants another central London hotel, bigger than the Grosvenor Square Marriott, which would mean buying an existing property. Other plans include at least one airport hotel ouside London, further hotels in regional cities and some sports-based resort hotels, probably in golfing centres.

Mr Fletch Waller, Marriott's senior vice-president for marketing, said: "You can see the way we work when you consider that in Washington DC we have 10 hotels, five in Dallas and five in Chicago. We are coming a little late into the market over here but that does not mean we will not catch up."

Mr Waller is heading a team of 25 Marriott senior executives on a 10-day marketing mission visiting Frankfurt, Zurich, Paris and London which was the first stop.

Marriott opened an hotel in Athens last year, and added to properties in Amsterdam and Paris. There is also a new Marriott in Vienna and the prospect of another in Hamburg.

Mr Waller said: "There are many hotel deals on offer from developers in Europe and the United Kingdom, but only a few reach our standards on return on investment. Our goals there are higher than is typical and that has tended to restrain us."

At the London Marriott the company has retained a 40 per cent interest, the rest is held by institutions. But for Marriott this is a higher stake than normal – 10 per cent is usual – although it likes to keep more control than some of the other big American-based chains.

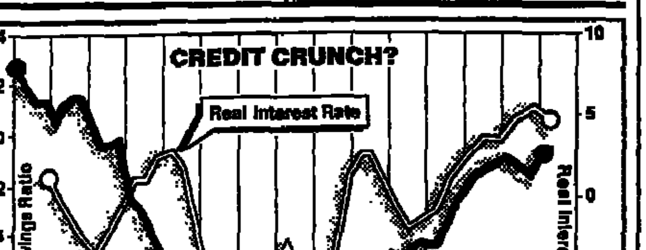
This year Marriott expects to become the largest chain in the United States of company-operated as opposed to franchise hotels.

Holiday Inn, Hilton and Sheraton are all expanding in Britain, accounting for nearly 30 openings among them. Ramada also plans a British chain.

THE GILT-EDGED MARKET

Sense and nonsense on interest rates

Michael Jankowski



For every buyer of an asset there is a seller and for every borrower of money there is a lender. These basic facts of life call into question the so-called commonsense *proposition that* strong credit demand invariably places upwards pressure on interest rates – a proposition which has beset the gilt-edged market – and bond markets in general – throughout the year.

Consider the case of a man purchasing a car. He goes to his bank and borrows the money. His account is subsequently debited and that of the vendor eventually credited. Bank lending and deposits both rise with the loan actually creating the deposit. Providing the vendor places his sales proceeds with the bank, there is no shortage of "savings" to finance the higher *level of credit demand.*

The same is true for the economy as a whole, except that the inter-relationships are more complex *and indirect.* The important result is that interest rates should exhibit no significant movement if funds are being recycled – *virtually* the opposite of the "commonsense" proposition that high credit demand generates higher interest rates.

The difficulties in establishing the "commonsense" proposition can be seen on the chart. At first sight it would appear that a lagged relationship exists between rising credit demand and *rising* real interest rates. In fact the chart shows entirely the opposite.

The solid line measures the *ratio of the joint corporate* and public sector financial deficits to the flow of personal savings in Britain. A downward movement of this line on the chart reflects a larger joint deficit relative to the flow of savings. An upward movement indicates more savings relative to borrowing. From the chart it would appear that the larger the deficit the lower the real rate of interest. "Common sense" would suggest the opposite.

The reason for this occurring is *probably the fact that. in the* past, a rapid expansion of credit coincided with an upward surge in future inflation. Whatever the reason, however, the evidence certainly casts doubt on the view that rapid credit expansion invariably leads to higher interest rates. The situation in the United States is broadly similar.

With British interest rates in a holding pattern until the "fire" sale of the US dollar ends (buy now while stocks last) the immediate prospects for the gilt market rest upon whether US analysts feel 5% growth in the US will generate too much credit demand, or whether 4½% will just be enough for interest rates not to rise.

Given the lack of a stable relationship between credit demand and interest rates, such fine tuning seems absurdly precise. *What is clear is that the* US economy is slowing, monetary growth is not giving the Fed any concern (in fact the slow *rate of M1 growth over the past* months may be generating concern the other way) and inflation is not showing signs of taking off. The same is true for Britain.

The risk of rising rates, therefore, seem small indeed relative to the likelihood of falls. For a longer term investor the prospects in gilts (and bonds *in general) look favourable.*

In the short run the rise of the dollar has delayed a further move to lower base rates, but its strength is somewhat inexplicable. The change in market sentiment on US interest rates seems odd *following* recent aggressive intervention by the Fed to keep interest rates from rising, weaker US car sales and *higher-than-expected unem*ployment – all supporting the view that interest rates are less likely to rise.

Perhaps the foreign exchange markets will soon take on board what is happening domestically in the US as well as the fact that the likely strike by the United Auto Workers Union would lower US economic growth, and the dollar will weaken.

Given that British financial markets have not reacted too adversely to the stronger dollar, international factors seem set to support the gilt market.

Domestically the picture looks favourable. Reductions in British rates are in prospect with monetary growth and inflation remaining contained. *For a private investor, there*fore, the four to five year area of the gilt market looks very attractive. Yields are very high *in this area compared to other* segments and are discounting too much bad news.

Over the longer term, gilt yields have further to fall and on a total return basis (capital plus income) look likely to outperform even the best of the building society offerings. Higher-rate taxpayers, however, should still look to the index-linked *market for real value.* Real yields on the two shorter-dated stocks are well above 5 per cent indicating that inflation would need to be much less than 4 per cent over the next four to five years for conventional stocks to be relatively more attractive.

For those having filled their £5,000 quota in the National Savings Certificates twenty-*eighth issue, index-linked offer* extremely good value. Overall, I would be a buyer of the conventional gilt market

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US NOTEBOOK

Fed shows willingness to release more cash

From Maxwell Newton New York

Last week saw a remarkable change in the trend of interest rates – yields on bonds fell sharply.

At the beginning of the week, September Treasury bond futures were 65$^{15}/_{32}$; by Friday morning they were up to 66$^{29}/_{32}$. On Tuesday, the Treasury long bond was 99$^{13}/_{32}$; by Friday *morning it was selling for* 100$^{29}/_{32}$.

The fall in bond yield was accompanied by a new speculative surge of foreign money into the dollar. The Deutschemark was 2.93 to the dollar on Tuesday. By Friday it had risen to 2.97

The pound suffered terrible losses after the surge of money into the dollar. On Tuesday, it had been worth $1.3; by Friday morning it was selling for only $1.2783.

From the American viewpoint, there were some apparently clear explanations for the boom in bond futures.

● On Thursday, the Federal Reserve made the fifth straight daily injection of funds into the financial markets, through "system repos", wherby the Fed buys securities for later repurchase, thus providing cash to the system.

***The fact that Thursday's* "system repos" came as the fifth in a row impressed the markets. They began to con*clude that the Fed had decided* it was prudent to alleviate the drain on banks' reserves after the Fed's rescue of Continental Illinois Bank.**

● On Thursday night, the Fed announced that money M1 fell $700m in the week of August 27 to a total of $547 billion, a rise over the previous three months of only an annual 2 *per cent – about half* way between the upper and lower bands of the Fed's target range.

The markets concluded that the Fed had plenty of leeway to accelerate its infusions of cash into the system, thus starting a process of reducing the level of the Federal funds rate and other short-term interest rates.

● On Friday morning, *the level of unemployment* for August was announced – unchanged from July at 7½ per cent, strengthening the conviction that the economy is moving into a significantly slower growth phase.

USM REVIEW

Buyout success market-bound

A financial consultancy sold in a management buy-out nine years ago for "a very nominal amount" is coming to the Unlisted Securities Market with a valuation of nearly £3m.

Comprehensive Financial Services will achieve its USM presence through a share marketing by Bell, Lawrie, Mac-*Gregor and Co, the Edinburgh* broker. Details have still to be completed.

The company, which expects to make pretax profits of £250,000 (£190,000) from a £1m (£890,000) turnover in the year to end December, was launched by its deputy chairman and chief executive, Mr Oliver Stanley, aged 59, in 1971.

A tax inspector-cum-lawyer, Mr Stanley is regarded as an authority on taxation and has frequently written on the subject for *The Times* and *The Sunday Times*.

He was one of three directors involved in the management buy-out. Another was Mr Colin Kinloch, aged 41, the managing director. The third is no longer with the group.

The trio acquired CFS from the merchant bank, Lazard Brothers, a subsidiary of the Pearson Group, and Gray Dawes, then a subsidiary of the Inchcape international trading group but now part of Banque Arabe et Internationale d'Investissement, a consortium bank half owned by Arab shareholders.

Neither Lazards nor Gray Dawes is involved in the flotation of their former associate. CFS, which draws about 60 per cent of its profits from Britain and the rest from overseas, feels its own financial *expertise is sufficent to avoid* the expense of a merchant bank.

The London-based consultancy has had a long, close relationship with Bell, Lawrie. "We have many Scots as clients", Mr Dunlop said.

CFS is controlled by its three executive directors; the third is Mr Michael Bryant, aged 40, who runs the investment department. After the flotation they will still control the company.

Like Heggett Bowers, the executive head-hunter which recently arrived on the USM, CFS sees a stock market presence as enhancing its status among its clients which range from the famous rich to international companies.

And CFS also believes that a stock market presence will allow it to expand via acquisitions. The company is acutely aware of the present revolution in financial services and is pondering development on a number of fronts.

It feels it could more readily acquire other consultancies which are becoming more and *more* squeezed in the present financial climate. Perhaps a stockbroker (CFS is already a licenced dealer) will eventually be acquired. And there is a chance that CFS could eventually go in for banking.

Mr Stanley said: "There are many possibilities. In this rapidly changing world we have obviously been considering and discussing our direction. We have as yet drawn no firm conclusions about it.

But CFS has no ambition to be an all-embracing financial vehicle. Such a creation, Mr Stanley believes, is an "unrealistic, idealistic concept".

Like many similar operations, CFS draws a heavy veil of secrecy over the identities and affairs of its clients. Mr Stanley said: "Growth in our business is steady and we have to be discreet. Too much noise is counterproductive."

CFS is likely to be beaten to the market by Paul Michael Leisurewear, which is arriving via a placing of 2½ million shares by Le Marc, Martin, the broker. Dealings should start next Monday.

Derek Pain

UNLISTED SECURITIES

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross div pence	Div yld %	P/E
7,031,000	A & M Hire	16	..	0.3	1.8	11.9
7,245,000	Aeropale	138	-5	3.5	2.6	17.2
137.0m	Acorn Comp	122	+2	..	..	29.1
1,458,000	Anglo	27	..	..	..	21.1
4,750,000	Adam Leisure	19	-1	2.9	15.1	2.4
20.1m	Air Call	365	-5	8.0	2.3	16.0
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1,065,800	Gaunt (roland)	50	..	..	..	..
11.0m	Gee (Cecil)	128	-2	3.0	2.4	17.7
2,340,000	Geo/Rosen	32	-2	2.1	6.7	13.3
3,171,000	Globe Man	146	-2	3.7	2.5	..
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21.7m	Nth Sea & Gen	93	..	..	..	..
11.2m	Northamber	153	-5	1.4	0.9	50.5
7,038,000	Oldfield Inspec	110	..	3.8	3.4	6.8
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4,783,000	Woodchester	148	-5	5.8	4.0	9.7
2,994,000	Yelverton	37	+2	0.5	1.4	9.9
1,360,000	York Mount	49	● -5	7.1	14.6	1.0
4,350,000	Yorkgreen	26	● +1	2.0	7.7	1.2
4,750,000	Zygal Dynamics	95	..	1.1	1.1	11.0

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross div pence	Div yld %	P/E
68.5m	Aberdeen	137	..	4.9	3.6	..
38.2m	Ailsa	78	● ..	1.9	2.4	..
268.6m	Alliance	533	● -3	20.7	3.9	..
88.9m	Amer	106	● -3	3.6	3.4	..
130.3m	Ang Amer Sec	244	-6	7.6	3.1	..
3,900,000	Ang Int	65	● -4	10.0	15.4	..
11.1m	Ang Int Ass	553	-25	..	..	..
48.4m	Ang Scot	148	..	3.9	2.6	..
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20.8m	Fleming Claver	208	+2	11.1	5.8	..
39.7m	Fleming Enterprise	207	● +3	10.4	5.0	..
152.6m	Fleming Far East	283	+8	2.9	1.1	..
68.8m	Fleming Japan	451	+6	4.3	1.0	..
146.0m	Fleming Mercantile	101	● -2	4.0	4.0	..
132.8m	Fleming Overseas	300	+8	10.0	3.3	..
53.3m	Fleming Tech	135	● +1	3.1	2.3	..
54.2m	Fleming Universal	249	+6	9.6	3.9	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
4,330,000	Personal Assets	29	+2	0.8	2.0	..
72.6m	Raeburn	271	+2	12.0	4.4	..
91.4m	River & Merc	107	● +2	6.4	6.0	..
27.2m	River Plate	174	+2	9.3h	5.3	..
——	Robeco	153	-2	..	..	..
——	Rolinco	145	..	..	..	..
58.9m	Romney	210	+4	6.3	3.0	..
1,173.6m	Rorento	547½	..	..	..	..
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COMPANY NEWS IN BRIEF

● WILLIAM JACKSON AND SON expects "significant benefits" *from the restructuring of its bakery* division and the installation of new plant in the bakeries. The board is confident that its plans for *expansion and modernization* will lead to satisfactory growth in the forthcoming years.

● KENNEDY BROOKES has acquired John Gows, the fishmongers, with establishments in Connaught Street and Leadenhall Market in London. The group *intends to merge Gows with* Wheelers fishmongers and continue to supply the retail trade as well as Kennedy Brookes and other companies in the hotel and catering trade.

● SEKERS INTERNATIONAL expects a very great improvement in the trading performance of its main divisions for the six months to September 30 and the board is confident that profits before tax for *the period will be more than double* those reported for the same six months last year.

● MORAY FIRTH MALTINGS *is paying an interim dividend of* 1.75p (1p) for the half-year to June 30. Figures in £000 show a turnover of 14,069 (15,278), with pretax profit at 1,090 (941), and tax at 63 (44). Earnings per ordinary share were 15.7p (13.8p). The company hopes that results for the full year will again show a reasonable increase. Shares rose to 335p up 5p.

● ELBAR INDUSTRIAL has sold its assets relating to the agricultural engineering business formerly carried on by Elbar Ravenhill to Harris Agricultural Group. The business includes the Ford tractor dealership *and franchises such as for Ran*somes. A new company, Harris of Hereford, has been formed and will be a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Harris Agricultural Group.

● WESTERN MINING CORPORATION has announced a new profit of A$22.34m or about £14.3m (A$3.97) for year ended June 17 last on a turnover of A$427.8m (265.28m). Equity-accounted net profit was A$30.13m (A$10.72m). Earnings per share rose to 7.1 cents (1.4). The corporation is paying a final dividend of 2 cents (1) making 4 cents (2).

● IMI is to purchase Wallsall-based Elkington Copper Refiners, a subsidiary of Pechiney Trading *International.* ECR's net assets are worth about £1.3m. IMI propose to integrate and rationalize the ECR business with that of IMI refiners.

APPOINTMENTS

Australian post for Lloyds executive

Lloyds Bank International: Mr T M Clark, a senior executive in London, becomes an executive director in Australia. Based in Sydney from October 1, he will also be coordinator for the bank's leasing operations in the Far East.

Royal Insurance (Int): Mr B H Stott, deputy general manager, is to succeed Mr J K Clarke, the general manager, after he retires on February 28.

Habitat Mothercare: Mr Bernard Greaves is the new chief executive of Mothercare UK. Mr Eckart Matthes has become chief executive of Mothercare Europe, and Mr Daniel Schwarzwalder chief executive of Mothercare USA.

Plessey Electronic Systems: Mr Philip Hamer becomes regional director, Latin America, and Mr David Elliott becomes director of customer relations.



Paul Harrison: company president at 35

Rochester Instrument Systems Inc: Mr Paul Harrison, managing director of Rochester Instrument Systems Ltd, has been appointed president of the *US parent company.*

National Can Corporation: Mr Jack H. Turner has been elected senior vice-president-international. He will continue to be responsible for the international division's 13 plants operating in England, West Germany, Italy, Spain, Ireland, Cyprus, Puerto Rico and Japan.

The Telefusion Group: Mr John Wilkinson, previously chairman and managing director, becomes managing director of the group.

Tay and Thames Investment Services: Mr Donald Fortune becomes a manager of Tay and Thames Investment, and will be responsible for the management of all the group's private client portfolio.

BICC Industrial Products: Mr Michael Cornish is to join the board as director in charge of finance and planning on October 1.

Base Lending Rates

ABN Bank	10½%
Adam & Company	10½%
Barclays	10½%
BCCI	10½%
Citibank Savings †	12 %
Consolidated Crds	10½%
Continental Trust	10½%
C. Hoare & Co *	10½%
Lloyds Bank	10½%
Midland Bank	10½%
Nat Westminster	10½%
TSB	10½%
Williams & Glyn's	10½%
Citibank NA	10½%

† Mortgage Base Rate.

* 7 day deposits on sums of under £10,000, 7⅞%; £10,000 up to £50,000, 8%; £50,000 and over, 8⅜%.

ORDINARY SHARES

A triple revolution in financial services

Martyn Ralph

Since the turn of the year the general reaction of the stock market to the phrase "financial service company" has been to throw up its arms in horror and mark prices down – a far cry from the typical response of two years ago when the concept was very much in vogue.

Vagaries of the market aside, the fundamental point which for the most part has been over looked is that there is not just one financial service revolution. *There are at least three taking* place concurrently and all very different in nature and potential rewards.

AMERICAN INVESTMENT IN FOREIGN STOCKS

	1982 ($m)	1983 ($m)	% increase
Britain	3,618	6,316	+75%
Rest of Europe	2.923	7,137	+144%
Japan	4,331	7,930	+83%
Rest of Asia	790	1,393	+76%
Other	4,005	7,301	+82%
Total	15,667	30,077	+92%

Unfortunately the selectivity displayed by groups in positioning themselves to take advantage of these changes has often not been reflected in share price performances.

The first "revolution" can be loosely defined as the rise of the one-stop financial shop for both *retail and wholesale customers.* In reality, this is part of a long-established trend. The developments within the banks over the years offer examples of this. More recently, it has been underlined by moves such as the recently aborted Charterhouse J. Rothschild/Hambro Life tie-up.

The advocates of this view have really still to demonstrate that there is a demand for such a service. Large corporate clients have diverse requirements and want the best service on offer. Cost is often of secondary importance. At the retail end, the question is whether the average customer actually wants a plethora of financial services offered to him.

Second is the increasing internationalization of wholesale securities markets. An important factor behind the rises in foreign investment *by Americans has been the* spectacular growth witnessed in the amount of United States pension assets invested overseas. From almost zero in the mid-1970s, the totals expanded to about $3 billion (£2.3 billion) in 1980, $12.2 billion in 1983 and now stands at approximately $15 billion. This latter figure still accounts for only 2 per cent of total pension fund assets. With American fund managers becoming increas*ingly aware of overseas markets,* the figure seems certain to rise substantially and will probably reach between £25 billion and $50 billion during the rest of the decade.

This is obviously just one example in the internationalization and expansion of financial markets. Others include foreign exchange, deposits, and bonds. The British moneybrokers have been prime beneficiaries from the explosion of deposit and foreign exchange markets over the last decade. More recently, some have also made moves to expand operations to take full advantage of the increasing movement of capital around the world. A prime example of this has been Mercantile House.

The third (and undoubtedly *the most exciting in terms of* long-term potential) relates to the provision of real time financial information. Demand has grown strongly over the past few years, yet enormous scope for future expansion remains. This is particularly true of the provision of information where *there are no centralized trading* exchanges, such as the foreign exchanges and money markets, *where video terminal networks* effectively become the markets.

The main contenders here are Telerate (a fast growing part of Exco International) and Reuters. Impressive profit increases are to be expected for both for the foreseeable future.

This week Reuters reports its interim figures for 1984. With the recent prospectus indicating a slower expansion rate than in the second half (as operating revenues move up) we are looking for pre-tax profits of around £30m, putting the group *on course for £73m for the full* year. In 1980, Reuter's pre-tax profits were below £4m – certainly, something of a revolution since then.

The author is responsible for research into the financial services sector at the stockbroking firm, Hoare Govett.

Welsh Inmos factory will cost £17m

By Judith Huntley

Work begins today on the first new factory for Inmos since its takeover by Thorn EMI. Mr *Nicholas Edwards, the Secretary* of State for Wales, is breaking ground on the 11 acre site at Newport, Gwent, which the company is leasing from Five Oaks Investments, the Leamington Spa property investment company.

The new factory will have 100,000 sq ft of space and will cost £2m to build. Inmos will spend £15m in fitting it out to *test and assemble* electronic chips.

Five Oaks bought the site from Newport Council cheaply because the council was keen to keep jobs in the area. Five Oaks, advised by de Morgan & Co, is receiving interim finance from Chase Manhattan Bank, which has the US offshoot, Inmos International, as a client.

The developer has until next spring to sell the development, which it may do on the Industrial Building Allowance market. Five Oaks will benefit from the 75 per cent allowance and from regional development grants which operate in the area.

RUGBY UNION: JOHN PLAYER CUP WINNERS CONTINUE TO IMPROVE BUT WASPS' WIN LACKS STING

Struggle: a ruck forms around Green of Richmond

Lacklustre players fail to stake claim for England place

By Derek Wyatt

Wasps 12
Richmond 7

Alan Price, the Geordie singer-songwriter, once dabbled with a number entitled "Simon Smith and the Amazing Dancing Bear." On Saturday, at Sudbury, Simon Smith, the Wasps' winger and Simon *Smith, the Richmond fly half,* tried their darndest to provide the dancing but alas their colleagues ensured that the cupboard remained bare.

It was hard to beleive that anyone on this showing was worthy of inclusion in the England team to play the Rest of the World. Perhaps the tension of the players had been heightened by *the presence of* the England and London selectors as well as television cameras. No it was not Rugby Special, but the RFU's injury project under the guidance of Dr Nicholas Webborn (who broke his neck while playing). They were there to film every potential and real injury situation.

Fortunately there was nothing serious to report on that front, but if there had been the referee would have had to share the blame. There was countless colapsed scrums, so many in fact that Ian Beer remarked afterwards that he hoped it would not be too long before the scrum law currently in use in Schoolboy rugby would be universally adopted.

As to the game itself, Richmond won the lineouts comfortably and took four of the head in the scrum. True, Preston, the England centre, did not score the only try, albeit *minutes from no-side, but his side* must ponder how with all that possession, they rarely mounted a serious attack.

Wasps will claim that without *Rendell, Colclough, Dun, Emeruwa,* Melville and Bailey their second team held Richmond surprizingly well. What a pity therefore that their England players, Davies and *Stringer, did not stamp* their class on the muddling mediocrity that passed as a Merit Table fixture.

Nigel Melville, the Wasps' scrum half, has been told by the England selectors not to rush his comeback. Melville has had both the lateral and medial cartileges taken out of his left knee. Four weeks ago he *under went a third operation, to* clear away some scar tissue. He has been training every day and he confided that he hopes to play this weekend for a junior side.

Maurice Colclough, Melville's British Lions' colleague at Wasps, will be returning to London earlier than expected. He was due to play for the second division French side Poitiers, but his previous club, Angoulême, have not yet granted permission.

SCORERS: Wasps: Penalties Stringer Dropped goal Davies. Richmond: Penalty: Smith. Try Preston.
WASPS: *N Stringer;* S Smith, M Williams (captain), R Lozowski, R Sumner, H Davies, S Bates; M Brooks, A Simons, A Hams, C Pinnegar, K Moss, R Smith, M Rigby.
RICHMOND: A Hampel; B Roxburgh, D Guyatt, N Preston, R Forde, S Smith, S Kelly (sub C Baker); J Thorn, T Evans, J Probyn, M Hess, M Slagter (captain), K Green, A Maren, M Catt.
Referee: R Glass (London Society).

Unlikely hero of the final act

By Gerald Davies

Neath 13
Cardiff 12

The weather was still fine and lush grass is so plentiful at the Gnoll that it must draw envious glances from every farmer in the district. An invitation, you might have thought, for last season's Cup finalists to begin the season with some style and enterprise.

Not a bit of it. This was a rugged, untidy game, oten fearsomely competitive and rarely skilful.

The home crowd clearly felt a sense of injustice at the refereeing and a finger-wagging, slow-handclapping frustration developed. But their moment of release came in *the ninth minute of injury time* when, with their final movement, Neath scored the try to win the game by a try, and three penalities to two goals.

The home side without any obviously outstanding players apart from Elgan Rees, their captain, and the rising new talent of Jonathan Davies at stand-off, depend on enthusiasm, and work-rate. On Davies and Holmes had a *nervous afternoon The former* missed three kickable penalties late in the game which could have settled matters for Cardiff and the scrum-half, closely attended, had to *shuffle his passes away any way he* could. When he did, then Jacob and Bridgewater in the Neath midfield were in no mood to trifle with any of Cardiff's attempts at subtlety in the three-quarters.

Twice, however, – one each on either side of the interval – the visitors managed to get away and score. Thorburn's two penalties were cancelled out on *half-time,* when, from Cordle's cross-kick to the posts, O'Brien supported Scott to scramble over. And, in the second half, from another high kick – this *time from Holmes – Davies and* Hopkins, whose pass looked a shade forward, combined to send Hadley racing over in the corner. Davies converted both.

The physical nature of the game inevitably took its toll. Whitefoot had already gone off for the visitors and Neath, with injuries to Bridgewater and Jones, soon used up their quota of replacements.

Hopkins, who had has a fine game, also suffered a shoulder injury but was persuaded in the circumstances to stay on but to play on the wing. Since the position did not *enter into Neath's scheme of* things and, bearing in mind the rising temperature in the stands, it was as safe a place as any to be.

In the final act, however, his bravery turned him into the day's hero. Thorburn had kicked another penalty when he combined again with Daives. Running out of support, he passed to the injured Hopkins. With shoulders drooping and to a crescendo of noise, he ran awkwardly for 15 yards to score the winning try.

SCORERS: Neath: Try Hopkins; Penalties Thorburn (3). Cardiff: Tries: O'Brien, Hadley Coversions: Davies (2)
NEATH: P Thorburn; E Rees (Capt), D Jacob, C Bridgewater (rep, T Waldron), S Powell; J Davies, Gareth Jones (rep, C Gnojeki) B Williams, M Richards, M Jordan, G Jones, S Dando, H Richards, A Hopkins, D Morgan.
CARDIFF: P Rees; G Cordle, M Ring K Hopkins, A Hadley, G Davies, T Holmes (Capt), J Whitefoot (rep L O'Brien), A Phillips, I Eidman, R Lankin, K Edwards, R Norster, G Roberts, J Scott.
Referee: A Richards (Caldicot).




Opposing captains: the triumphant Rees (left) and Holmes, who had a nervous afternoon

Declining Leicester overwhelmed by ascendant Bath

By David Hands
Rugby Correspondent

Bath 17
Leicester 6

Bath have been a potent commodity for some years now but the surge which carried them to the John Player Special Cup last season has left them examining new realms, particularly against English opposition. For an hour at the Recreation Ground on Saturday they outplayed Leicester and their 17 point lead could and should have been nearer 30.

It is a variation of the not unfamiliar English problem of self discovery, of finding out how good you are against opponents who may still be treated with respect but not reserve. In the last quarter Spurrell, Bath's captain, limped off with a recurrence of an old hamstring injury and Bath allowed their opponents back into the game before winning by a goal, two tries and a penalty goal to a goal.

Leicester no longer have the power to make things happen. With such possession as came their way they played for position, which inevitably took play back to Bath's strengths. When they threw caution to the wind and started playing rugby the result was irretrievable, though their late flurry may have won some friends among a crowd slightly deflated by the absence of constructive back play.

Leicester's decline from the giddy heights of the last seven years is no surprise. Success cannot be bought on the transfer market and their pack on Saturday, *outside the older* Redfern and Smith, was short of experience. They have not learned a rucking game which might suit them – what English side has? – and they have no Hall or Spurrell to win the ball.

Hall's contribution to Bath's wellbeing was as usual immense and it must be hoped that the niggling back and leg injuries which have followed him this last year are behind him. With the national side in mind, the same might be said of Dodge, who suffered a groin strain during a change in direction as Bath scored their third try and had to leave the field. The last 12 months have not been kind to him either and he seems likely to miss his club's games this week. With Hall dominant *on the ground – if that is a* physical possibility – and Hakin in the air, the Bath midfield had time and space to run at their opponents and expose a shaky defence. Yet for all that the finishing was such that the wings barely contributed and Bath's decision to give Martin *more match practice* with his goalkicking meant several penalty chances went begging.

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Martin did play an important part in two of the Bath tries, however, the first a well worked move which put Rees over under the posts, the second a long pass from Horton to the full back after rampaging forward play on the right, Trevaskis receiving ample space to race round Dodson for Bath's only second half score. The first try had come after Leicester had been pushed off their own ball at a five metre scrum and Simpson crossed.

In a losing cause, Richards did well for Leicester, putting *much of their lineout* ball at the back and working hard in the loose. But he is no mole and when Leicester desperately needed to control the loose ball it either shot back like a rocket or did not emerge at all, which made life no easier for the game Hartley. In the last minute, however, Martin was held deep in Leicester's 22, Cusworth and Dexter, the replacement, broke out and Underwood went streaking away from 60 metres, *the first pass he had received all* afternoon.

BATH: C Martin, P Simmons, J Palmer, A Rees, B Trevaskis, J Horton, R Hill, G Chilcott, J Dean (rep M Sparkes), R Lee, R Spurrell (capt) (rep N Maslen), J Morrison, R Hakin, J Hall, P Simpson.
LEICESTER: I Dodson, K Williams, P Dodge (rep C Dexter), R Underwood, L Cusworth, H Hartley, Stuart Redfern, C Tressler, Stephen Redfern, J Wells, D Black, M Foulkes-Arnold, I Smith (capt), D Richards.
Referee: R. Quittenton (London)

Pushover tradition is lost by Coventry

By Gordon Allan

Coventry 6
Gloucester 10

Coventry ought to have won this match at Coundon Road on Saturday. They had chances to score tries and failed to use them. Gloucester showed how it should be done, winning by a goal and a try to a penalty goal and a dropped goal.

In the first half two hefty kicks, one across the field by Bevan, the other down touch by Thomas, dropped like bombs inside the Gloucester 22 but did not detonate. Such were thee tremors in the defence that Coventry should have scored twice. The defence survived.

In injury time at the end of the game, *Coventry* forced two scrummages a metre from the Gloucester line. Twice they held the ball in the back row and went for the pushover. Perhaps, having failed at the first *attempt, they ought to have tried* something different at the second. There was a time when Coventry packs were famous for pushover tries. Not now. Gloucester, heavier and more experienced, kept them at half an arm's length, which was ample.

Coventry led 6-0 at half-time. *Fairn* kicked a penalty and *Lakey*, behind a lineout, dropped a goal. Richards scored Gloucester's first try after good passing. He tackled well, too. Five minutes later, while *Thomas was off the field having his* head bandaged, Hannaford made a break, Sargent took his lofted pass to score, and Smith converted.

Evans twice wasted multiple overlaps, first turning back into his forwards, and then choosing to drop for goal. Otherwise there might have been two more Gloucester tries.

Gloucester won because they were the more knowing team: witness those two late scrummages on their own line. Coventry, once players like Brain, Robbins, Grant and Ralston are available, should have a fair season.

SCORERS: Coventry: Penalty: Fairn. Dropped goal Lakey Gloucester: Tries: Richards, Sargent Conversion: Smith.
COVENTRY: H Bevan; M Summers, M Fairn, T Buttmore, E Saunders, M Lakey, S Thomas, G Smith, A Farrington, S Wilkes, Na Malik (captain), G Warrington, A Gulliver, M Trumper, A Rooke.
GLOUCESTER: T Smith; D Morgan, R Mogg, P Taylor, A Richards, M Evans, M Hannaford, G Sargent, S Mills, M Preedy, J Gadd, J Orwin (captain), S Boyle, M Longstaff, M Teague.
Referee: L Prideaux (North Midlands).

Promising start by Rose

By David Hands

England are to name today the *players they require for training* at the Stoop Ground next Sunday (backs) and Gloucester the following day (forwards). Among the former will be Rose, already with five caps, who made a profitable debut for Harlequins in their 39-13 defeat at Northampton on Saturday. The full back kicked three conversions and three penalties out of 10 attempts at goal and the Harlequins, 27-0 up at half-time, relaxed during the second half.

There is more to come from the Quins who have Woodhouse and Hanley sidelines by injuries at the moment, their No. 8, Butcher still in South Africa and their two Scottish internationals, Cuthbertson and Milne, not yet match fit.

Another who will be at the Stoop is Barnes whose present club, Bristol, was beaten 21-15 by his former club, Newport. The scoreline may suggest a closer encounter: in fact Newport were well in control, Bristol's tries by Polledri and Hesford coming in the last seven minutes, Barnes converting both *from infront of the posts.*

Derek Morgan, England's chairman of selectors saw another solid performance by Widdecombem the Newport lock who comes from Torquay. Nottingham experimented against Blackheath by moving Drane, their stand-off half to full-back and bringing Hodgkinson up to half back.

The 26-11 result suggests that the Nottingham back division went well in consequence. Four of the tries were shared by the wings, Bennett and Steve Holdstock.

Hodgkinson was one of England's *under-23 full backs in Spain last* May but Nottingham believe they can use his tactical kicking to good effect at stand-off.

West Hartlepool, cocks of the north season, have begun the new season with a bit of a wobble. Beaten at Richmond on the opening Saturday they went down 20-12 to Morley who were promoted to the Northern Merit table proper after heading the qualifying table this season.

CYCLING

Second win for Wallace

Shaun Wallace (VC Nottingham) won his second gold medal at the national track championships at Leicester on Saturday when he retained his one kilometre time-trial at the expense of his clubmate, Mark Barry. Scotland's Eddie Alexander took the bronze.

The Pirelli Grand Prix lost much of its appeal by the withdrawals of Italy's Octavio Dazzana, the sprint silver medal winner at the recent world championships in Barcelona, and of the world pursuit champions, Hans Henrik Oersted, of Denmark.

The event was won by the new British amateur sprint champion, Paul McHugh, aged 17, who decisively beat Yave Cahard, of France, the world professional sprint bronze medal winner, in the second of their two rides. The first race went to a photo-finish in McHugh's favour.

Hertfordshire's Ian Banbury (Moducel) won the professional 5,000 metres pursuit title, catching his fellow professional, Ian Binder (Newsweek), after 4min 25sec. David Miller (Raleigh) beat Paul Swinnerton (UK Print) for third place.

The 4,000 metres team pursuit title went to last year's winners, the Manchester Wheelers, who beat London'd VC D'Or.

In the pro-am racing, not part of the championships, the professionals came out best. Dazzan arrived by bus at Leicester after a misunderstanding at the East Midlands airport, to win the Pirelli Keirin race, while Australia's Danny Clark just got the verdict from Barry, in the Halford's Golden Mile.

RESULTS: 1km amateur championship: 1, S Wallace (VC Nottingham) 1min 10.04sec; 2, M Barry (VC Nottingham) 1.10.210; 3, E Alexander (City of Edinburgh) 1.10.275. Pirelli Grand Prix: 1, McHugh (GB) bt Y Cahard (Fr), 2-0, 11.909sec, 11.268; third place: T Tinsley (GB) bt P Swinnerton (GB), 2-1. Professional 5,000 metres pursuit: 1, I Banbury (Moducel) caught I Binder (Newsweek), 4min 25.36sec; 3, D Miller (Raleigh) 6.35.36) bt P Swinnerton, (UK Print), 6.45.287. Amateur 4,000 metres team pursuit: 1, Manchester wheelers (4.42.70) bt V C D'Or (4.45.60); 3, VC Nottingham (4.45.53) bt Zenith CC (4.49.35). Pirelli Keirin: 1, D Dazzan (It); 2, T Tinsley (GB); 3, D Clark (Aus). Halford's Golden Mile: 1, D Clark (Halfords); 2, M Barry VC Nottingham); 3, P Swinnerton (UK Print).

MOTOR RALLYING

Monte Carlo must pay for French roads

Monza (AFP) – The future of the *Monte Carlo rally is under threat* following a demand for a million francs (£90,000) for permission to use French roads.

The French Auto-Sport Feder*ation is to charge the fee to its* counterpart in the tiny Mediterranean principality of Monaco, where the historic rally is based, because of the cost of providing *support services.*

It will not allow the 1985 rally to take place unless the money is paid, the French Federation said. There was no immediate response from the *organizers of the rally.*

The French Federation said Monte Carlo Rally routes entered 43 of France's 95 departements (counties) and the organizers needed assistance from dozens of French sports organizations.

Events like the rally could harm events arranged by French motoring clubs, it added.

WOMEN'S HOCKEY

England win home event

By Joyce Whitehead

England won the Snow Goose Trophy by coming top in the home countries under-21 tournament, *which ended on Saturday in Largs.* Scotland were second on goal averate over Wales, and Ireland took the wooden spoon.

On points England had a *convincing* win, but their last match against Scotland was a hair-raiser. If Scotland had won they would have clinched the trophy, and their full international player, Caroline Jordan, gave them an early lead. *It was* some time before Amanda Smith (Yorkshire) scored after Karen Brown (Surrey) had dodged her way out of trouble and passed the ball to her as if on a plate.

One-all at half-time, and then the struggle really began. Scotland came very near to scoring again but Sally Gilks (Durham) in the England goal made some fantastic saves, as she had on Friday against Wales, and the draw gave England the trophy.

Scotland, who had made a slow start, gathered momentum in their other two matches while Ireland – who looked so full of promise in their first match, which they lost 1-2 to England – later lost their sparkle and fizzled out. It was the Welsh goalkeeper, Helen Morgan (South) who gained the applause on Saturday morning, playing against Ireland. In a desperate moment she caught the ball and threw it away but she stopped the resulting penalty stroke taken by Caroline Fusco and thus the match ended in a no-score draw.

For Wales it was still better than a defeat for they had needed to score twice if they were to beat Scotland on goal average.

RESULTS: Saturday: England 1, Scotland 1; Wales 0, Ireland 0.

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BASKETBALL

LINKOPING: Group A: Romania 87, Norway 64; Sweden 72, Belgium 82; Czechoslovakia 79, Turkey 82. Group B: Finland 81, England 80; Hungary 77, Poland 76; Bulgaria 79, Greece 72.

GOLF

Practice earns Brand European Open prize

By Mitchell Platts

Gordon Brand junior, emphasized his enormous potential once again by dominating the final round of the European Open, sponsored by Panasonic, in blustery conditions at Sunningdale yesterday. His score of 64, following a superb outward nine of 29 which catapulted him clear of a cluster of challengers, including Severiano Ballesteros, gave him his second success in four weeks and a first prize of £25,000.

Brand started out three strokes in arrears of the third round leaders, Howard Clark and Ballesteros. When it was over, however, he had three strokes to spare from Ballesteros (70) and the Australian, Neol Ratcliffe, who had a fine 65. Brand's winning aggregate of 270 was 10 under par for the Old course. Richard Boxall, a former England international, enjoyed his best finish as a professional by compiling 67 to share fourth place with Clark (71) on 274.

The strength of the wind should have suited Ballesteros. Indeed, he started with two birdies in his first three holes. That looked an ominous sign, but Brand, was already elbowing himself into contention. In truth, he initially owed much to his putter, although, as the round unfolded, he duly showed his courage be keeping his score intact in spite of the heightening pressure.

Brand moved out of the pack by starting with five successive threes. That put him five under for the round, nine under for the tournament, and level with Ballesteros. He holed from 18ft for an eagle at the first and from 20ft for a birdie at the next. Then he drove the green at the third (296 yds) and took two putts. A solid par at the short fourth was followed by the stroke which surely filled him with the knowledge that this would be his day.

His drive at the fifth was fortunate not to finish in a fairway bunker. The approach, with a six-iron, was pulled to the left and the ball finished in a bunker. But from 25 yards he chipped in. Lucky, perhaps, but as Gary Player has persistently claimed, professional golfers make their own luck. Brand, who won the Celtic International at Galway four weeks ago, has learned the need to keep his game in tune.

In 1982, his first season as a professional, Brand won the *Coral Classic and the Bob Hope* British Classic. Last season was an anti-climax, although his progress was hindered by his own complacency. This season, Brand has put in his fair share of hours on the practice ground and the rewards for such diligence are evident.

After dropping a shot at the sixth, where he cut his drive into trees, Brand replied in superb style with birdies at the eighth, where he holed from 12ft, and ninth, where he made an 18ft putt. Out in 29, compared with the 34 of *Ballesteros, he was now leading* by two.



Another birdie putt drops for Brand during his 64 yesterday (Photograph: Chris Cole).

By that time Clark had vanished from the scene and the only possibility of intervention came from Boxall, out in 31, and Ratcliffe, who followed a first nine of 34 with two birdies and an eagle in his next five holes.

Brand, however, kept his head. He took single putts at the 11th to save par and the 14th from 15ft for a birdie. So by that time Ballesteros had it all to do, and for once the Spaniard was unable to get his game together in the closing stages. Brand did drop a shot at the last, but by then Ballesteros had taken four at the short 15th and was about to take four to get down from 80 yards short of the 17th.

FINAL SUNNINGDALE SCORES

270: G Brand, jun 67, 66, 73, 64.
273: N Ratcliffe (Aus) 67, 74, 67, 65; S Ballesteros (Sp) 66, 68, 69, 70.
274: R Boxall 71, 69, 67, 67; H Clark 66, 65, 72, 71.
276: L Wadkins (US) 69, 67, 70, 70.
277: K Waters 72, 69, 68, 68; B Gallacher 68, 69, 68, 72.
278: R Charles (NZ) 73, 67, 70, 68; M Piñero (Sp) 69, 69, 71, 69.
279: E Darcy 71, 70, 72, 66; C Defoy 74, 69, 68, 68; T Johnstone (Zimb) 73, 67, 68, 71; B McColl 72, 71, 68, 68; S Torrance 73, 70, 65, 71.
280: V Fernandez (Arg) 67, 68, 73, 72; T Horton 70, 70, 68, 72.
281: W Humphreys 73, 64, 75, 69; I Mosey 71, 70, 70, 70; C O'Connor, jun 69, 71, 69, 72; B Waites 69, 68, 72, 72; O Sellberg (Swe) 69, 74, 68, 70; S Bennett 71, 71, 66, 73; E Polland 72, 71, 65, 73; M Calero (Sp) 69, 69, 67, 76.
282: D Jagger 69, 69, 73, 71; A Lyle 72, 68, 73, 69; B Barnes 72, 71, 71, 68; A Russell (US) 69, 68, 72, 73; J-M Cañizares (Sp) 67, 72, 72, 71; J O'Leary 71, 68, 70, 73; J Morgan 71, 69, 70, 72; N Mitchell 68, 72, 67, 75; J Hawkes (SA) 70, 63, 73, 76.
283: E Murray 69, 73, 71, 70; H Baiocchi (SA) 72, 71, 69, 71; B Langer (WG) 69, 70, 71, 73
284: Baker-Finch (Aus) 70, 71, 73, 70; M Bembridge 76, 68, 69, 71.
285: D Durnian 68, 71, 73, 73; C Mason 67, 69, 73, 76.
286: *G Brand 68, 74, 70, 74; I Woosnam 70, 73, 70, 73*; D A Russell 71, 73, 69, 73; D Cooper 69, 67, 77, 73; B Longmuir 67, 71, 73, 75; J Hall 70, 71, 70, 75.
287: R Chapman 71, 67, 73, 76; D Smyth 67, 72, 76, 72; J Hoskison 71, 70, 70, 76; J Anderson (Can) 73, 69, 74, 71; M Johnson 71, 72, 72, 72; S Martin 73, 71, 71, 72; J Anglada (Sp) 69, 75, 70, 73; D Feherty 69, 75, 68, 75; M McClean 72, 68, 69, 78.
288: M Thomas 71, 71, 80, 66; N Job 73, 71, 72, 72.
289: G Cullen 72, 71, 71, 75.
290: A Garrido (Sp) 68, 74, 75, 73; D J Russell 74, 70, 73, 73; J Gonzalez (Br) 74, 70, 72, 74; R Lee 70, 71, 74, 75; S Bishop 73, 71, 71, 75; *P Parkin 76, 68, 71, 75, J Rivero (Sp) 69, 71, 74, 76*.
291: B Marchbank 72, 72, 78, 69; C Charnley 69, 75, 73, 74
292: R Rafferty 74, 70, 75, 73.
293: P Hamblett (NZ) 70, 73, 77, 73; M Persson (Swe) 74, 66, 77, 76.
294: N Webber 74, 70, 75, 75.
295: J Jacobs (US) 71, 73, 74, 77.
298: C Cox 70, 74, 71, 73.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Welcome Mansfield

By Keith Macklin

Nottingham welcomed a new *professional sport at Mansfield* yesterday with a 2,051 crowd, well up to expectations, and an exuberant standing ovation at the end as the Marksmen won 15-0 against a disappointing Wakefield Trinity side.

Mansfield played some splendid attacking rugby as they convincingly won their second consecutive League game and made many converts at the Field Mill football ground. The Marksmen moved the ball about well and produced three excellent tries from Kellett, Sanderson and Nicholson, with a goal from Page and a dropped goal from Sanderson.

In south Wales, Bridgend got off to a disappointing start in a 16-28 *defeat by Swinton, but they can take* consolation from the fact that Swinton look likely to be front-runners in this season's promotion campaign.

Fulham returned to action under new management by winning 18-14 at *Sheffield*, thereby halting, temporarily at least, the progress of yet another new club.

The most exciting game of the day, and the most free-scoring was at Hunslet, where 81 points were scored in an amazing see-saw struggle eventually won by Barrow 41-40. Another eventful match was at Workington, where the referee, John Mean, sent off five players as Oldham romped to a 44-2 victory. Oldham are a jinxed club for Mr Mean – last season he had to abandon their game with Leigh after mass fighting.

Among the first division championship aspirants, Widnes beat Hull 11-10. Schofield scored a last-minute try for Hull but missed with the conversion kick that would have given his side victory.

Hull Kingston Rovers thrashed Leigh 38-20

FIRST DIVISION: Batley 32, Runcorn Highfield 14, Featherstone 30, Warrington 4; Halifax 11, Castleford 10; Huddersfield 4, Whitehaven 16; Hull Kingston Rovers 38, Leigh 20; Hunslet 40, Barrow 41; Leeds 2, St Helens 21; Widnes 11, Hull 10; Workington 2, Oldham 44.
SECOND DIVISION: Blackpool Borough 12, York 30; Bridgend 16, Swinton 28; Doncaster 11, Dewsbury 14; Keithley 19, Carlisle 21; *Mansfield Marksmen 15, Wakefield Trinity 0*; Sheffield Eagles 14, Fulham 18; Southend Invicta 14, Bramley 17

BOARDSAILING

Too much wind in their sails

By John Nicholls

Strong, gusty winds and torrential rain played havoc with the second day of the European boardsailing championships, sponsored by Captain Morgan Rum, at Weymouth yesterday. Only the lightweight class had a satisfactory race, in the best of the weather after a three-hour wait for the wind to diminish.

The heavyweights and women then went out, but instead of *improving*, the weather worsened, and courses had to be shortened. Many competitors seemed confused by what was going on, complaining that flag signals were unclear, and finishing procedure incorrect.

French domination of the lightweight division was almost total

SECOND RACE, Lightweights (French unless stated): 1, R Nagy; 2, Y LeVaillant; 3, G Calvat; 4, M Firinol; 5, G Rebello (Br); 6, B Dis. British placings: 14, A Biggs; 39, M Oliver; 40, N Buckley. Heavyweight class: 1, A Bringdal (Swe); 2, *O Journaux (Fr); 3, E Van Den Berg* (Neth). Women: 1, J de Jong (Neth); 2, L Ledage (Neth). Only 2 finished.

CRICKET: SEASON REACHES AN UNPREDICTABLE CLIMAX

Champions under a cloud as they fall foul of Fowler

By Richard Streeton

OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire (4pts) beat Essex by nine wickets.

It was hard to recognize Essex as the John Player League Champions in this unsatisfactory match, which became a 26-over game after disruption by rain. A lack of motivation, presumably, had a hand as Essex were bowled out for 75 when they were put in to bat, Graeme Fowler, with a sparkling 50 in 34 balls, enabled Lancashire to knock off the runs in 13.3 overs.

Conditions were *thoroughly* miserable for cricket and full marks for a zestful performance must go to Lancashire who, depending on results elsewhere, still have the incentive of possible place money for finishing second, third or fourth. With black clouds looming again, Fowler's fierce striking of the ball was beyond praise. He drove and pulled eight fours (there were only two boundaries in the Essex innings) before he was bowled, making room to cut.

It was cold, windy and overcast from the start and the Essex innings was already in ruins when torrential rain brought a stoppage with the score 44 for five from 14 overs. Nearly two hours elapsed before a *resumption* was possible after Herculean work by the ground staff. Essex then lost their last five wickets for 31 runs with the Lancashire fieldsmen, like Essex later, slipping and sliding about as if they were novices on an ice rink.

Watkinson, with three early wickets, and Simmons later on were the wreckers for Lancashire, who were defied only by Hardie, who batted through 17 overs. Watkinson gave Lancashire a marvellous start by having Gooch caught behind off his second ball; he then bowled Gladwin and Pringle in his second and fifth overs.

Simmons and Makinson followed with wickets in their first overs. Simmons had McEwan caught in spectacular fashion at deep mid-wicket by O'Shaughnessy, who covered 15 yards and held the ball two-handed inches from the ground.

ESSEX
G A Gooch c Maynard, b Watkinson 0
C Gladwin b Watkinson 4
K S McEwan c O'Shaughnessy b Simmons 11
D Pringle b Watkinson 12
R R Hardie not out 26
*K W R Fletcher c Hughes b Makinson 1
N Phillip l-b-w B Simmons 7
S Turner c Abrahams b Simmons 1
†D East c Abrahams b Simmons 2
N A Foster b Simmons 3
D L Acfield run out 4
Extras (l-b 1, w 1, n b 2) 4
Total (26 overs) 75
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-1, 2-8, 3-28, 4-38, 5-40, 6-55, 7-58, 8-62, 9-66, 10-75.
BOWLING: Watkinson 8-0-25-3, Radford 5-1-12-0, Simmons 8-1-19-4, Makinson 5-0-15-2.

LANCASHIRE
G Fowler b Acfield 50
S J O'Shaughnessy not out 21
K A Hayes not out 1
Extras (l-b 6, n-b 1) 7
Total (1 wkt, 13.3 overs) 79
*J Abrahams, D P Hughes, M H Fairbrother, D J Makinson, J Simmons, M Watkinson, †C Maynard and N V Radford did not bat.
FALL OF WICKET: 1-71.
BOWLING: Phillip 3-0-18-0; Pringle 3-0-23-0; Acfield 4-0-19-1; Turner 3.3-1-12-0.
Umpires: J W Holder and B Leadbeater.

Middlesex pay high price for defeat

By Marcus Williams

BRISTOL: Gloucestershire (4pts) beat Middlesex by four wickets in a rain-affected match.

Middlesex's innings failed to gather much momemtum after Barlow and Radley had given them a sound if unspectacular start. No batsmen played a major innings as Gloucestershire's all-seam attack found a greenish pitch to their liking.

Gatting perished cheaply, caught at mid-on when Bainbridge's first ball moved off the seam to find the leading edge, and when Barlow lost patience against Walsh in the twentieth over, Middlesex had reached only 75. Butcher, who was *dropped off Walsh when on one*, produced a flourish or two, including a pulled six off Bainbridge, to achieve the top score, and Downton batted with good sense to carry Middlesex to 165.

Rain, which was already falling at the end of the Middlesex innings, delayed the resumption and the fierce gusts kept rain clouds scudding over the ground. Romaines fell early but Cunningham and Athey added 49 in 10 overs to keep Gloucestershire up with the clock. The promising Cunningham was yorked in the 21st over, but with Stovold driving Edmonds profitably through the thinly populated covers, the target *became 34 off 10 overs*.

MIDDLESEX
G D Barlow c Shepherd b Walsh 33
C T Radley c Russell b Shepherd 25
*M W Gatting c Stovold b Bainbridge 6
R O Butcher c Bainbridge b Lawrence 34
K P Tomlins c Russell b Sainsbury 12
†P R Downton c Stovold b Lawrence 20
W N Slack c Romaines b Lawrence 6
J E Emburey not out 12
P H Edmonds not out 4
Extras (l-b 10, w 1, n-b 1) 12
Total (7 wkts, 38 overs) 165
N F Williams and W W Daniel did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-46, 2-58, 3-75, 4-101, 5-131, 6-141, 7-158.
BOWLING: Shepherd 8-0-19-1; Lawrence 7-0-34-3; Sainsbury 7-0-24-1; Walsh 8-1-37-1; Bainbridge 8-0-39-1.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE
P W Romaines b Daniels 10
E J Cunningham b Edmonds 47
C W J Athey c and b Edmonds 20
A W Stovold not out 43
P Bainbridge b Emburey 6
J N Shepherd b Daniel 1
†R C Russell c Williams b Emburey 10
*D A Graveney not out 5
Extras (b 2, l-b 5, n-b 3) 10
Total (6 wkts, 33 overs) 152
C A Walsh, D V Lawrence and G E Sainsbury did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-23, 2-72, 3-91, 4-112, 5-124, 6-139.
BOWLING: Daniel 8-1-27-2; Williams 5-0-19-0; Edmonds 8-0-38-2; Emburey 7-1-33-2; Slack 5-0-25-0.
Umpires: R E White and P B Wight.

John Player League

FINAL TABLE

	P	W	L	T	NR	Pts
Essex (6)	16	12	3	1	0	50
Notts (15)	16	10	5	0	1	42
Sussex (4)	16	9	4	0	3	42
Lancashire (8)	16	10	6	0	0	40
Middlesex (8)	16	9	5	1	1	40
Worcs (11)	16	9	5	0	2	40
Warwicks (9)	16	7	6	0	3	34
Surrey (11)	16	7	7	0	2	32
Hampshire (5)	16	7	9	0	0	28
Glamorgan (10)	16	6	8	0	2	28
Kent (3)	16	6	8	0	2	28
Northants (13)	16	6	9	0	1	26
Gloucs (14)	16	5	9	0	2	24
Leics (11)	16	4	8	0	4	24
Somerset (2)	16	5	9	0	2	24
Yorkshire (1)	16	6	10	0	0	24
Derbyshire (6)	*16*	*4*	*11*	*0*	*1*	*18*

(1983 positions in brackets)

Durham are champions

Minor Counties by Michael Berry

WORCESTER: Durham beat Cheshire by six wickets

Neil Riddell, the Durham skipper, rather aptly wore the contented smile of a Cheshire cat at Worcester on Saturday night. Three weeks ago Riddell's hopes for the season rested on securing one more victory to ensure qualification for next season's NatWest Trophy. Four games and four wins *later* Riddell and his side, a weakened one at that, were celebrating Durham's ninth Minor Counties championship win and their third in the past five years.

How Cheshire could possibly perform so abjectly after a season of unparalleled success in the western division of the championship sponsored by United Friendly Insurance, is a mystery. Inserted in conditions that helped the seamers *they lost Mudassar Nazar to the first* ball of the match and never recovered from being reduced to nine for four. Only O'Brien's 22 in 94 minutes offered any resistance.

Wilkinson and Lander, two ageless warriors whose combined years total *83*, shared five wickets. Johnson took two in two balls and Lister, an occasional bowler of gentle inswingers, also picked up a pair. Wilkinson's magnificent opening spell was to later win him the man-of-the-match award.

With only 59 to win Durham were never stretched, despite losing three wickets for six runs with victory all but assured and disappointingly the end came soon after 2.30pm. Murphy, a man who never knows when he is beaten, gave his all but the Cheshire cause had been lost long before he delivered the first ball of the Durham reply.

CHESHIRE
Mudassar Nazar l-b-w b Wilkinson 0
I Tansley c Mercer b Wilkinson 0
N T O'Brien l-b-w b Lander 22
J J Hitchmough c Mercer b Johnson 0
I P Davies b Johnson 0
J S Hitchmough c and b Lister 14
S C Yates b Lister 6
J A Sutton c Atkinson b Lander 7
P Hacker c and b Lander 0
J K Pickup l-b-w b Johnson 3
A J Murphy not out 0
Extras 6
Total (35.2 overs) 58
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-8, 3-9, 4-9, 5-39, 6-45, 7-48, 8-54, 9-56, 10-58.
BOWLING: Wilkinson 7-3-5-2; Johnson 8.2-4-13-3; Lander 11-4-14-3; Lister 9-2-29-2.

DURHAM
D C Jackson c Mudassar b Murphy 15
J W Lister c and b Mudassar 15
S R Atkinson b Mudassar 12
S Greensword not out 5
N Riddell c J S Hitchmough b Murphy 0
G Hirst not out 6
Extras 6
Total (4 wkts, 16.5 overs) 61
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-18, 2-48, 3-51, 4-52.
BOWLING: Murphy 8.5-1-18-2; Hacker 2-0-13-0; J S Hitchmough 3-0-12-2.



Parker: in form.

Yorkshire humbled by Sussex

Sussex comfortably beat Yorkshire on a much faster scoring rate at Hove. This was their sixth successive John Player league win, scoring 212 for five off their 40 overs before a thunderstorm ended play with Yorkshire 98 for eight off 26.4 overs.

Although the Sussex opening pair, Green and Alan Wells, put on 78, nearly half the overs had been bowled, and it needed an acceleration by Parker to take Sussex to 212 for five.

Rodney Ontong baffled Kent with his off spin for the second successive day as Glamorgan gained a 17 run victory at Canterbury. Ontong took two for 17 in eight overs and Kent, were *dismissed for 156 in 36.2* overs.

David Gower hit 43 in 38 minutes against Warwickshire before the match at Edgbaston was abandoned because of rain when Leicestershire had reached 128 for three in 25.1 overs.

Worcestershire, batting in near darkness before the fall of heavy rain, beat Surrey on a faster run rate at the Oval after being set to score 167 at 4.15 an over.

Nottinghamshire beat Somerset on faster scoring rate at Taunton to finish runners up to Essex. Needing 101 to win in 20 overs, they achieved it with seven wickets and 15 balls to spare. Somerset made 181 for six in 36 overs before rain intervened.

Hampshire got home by six wickets with 20 balls to spare after a two hour interruption by rain left them with a modest target against Derbyshire at Derby.

Outlook bright for Essex but the weather may decide

By Ivo Tennant

If the weather forecast holds true, it will not be maximum points which will settle the outcome of the 1984 county championship, sponsored by Britannic Assurance. It has been predicted that there is to be rain in many areas today and tomorrow – the final days of the cricket season.

On Saturday, there was rain in the west. That and Somerset's batsmen restricted Nottinghamshire, the leaders, to just two bonus points. In *the north*, or at least at Old Trafford, there was stygian gloom, which does not deter a side chasing a trophy, as we witnessed at the NatWest final the previous week. Essex secured five points, and closed the gap to a mere point.

So, with Nottingham Forest relinquishing their lead at the top of the first division of the Football League, there was little to cheer about on the Trent. Hadlee had given Nottinghamshire a splendid start, taking two wickets by the ninth over of the innings, but his side then suffered at the hands of two batsmen who will probably never play for Somerset again.

One was Lloyds, who should secure a regular place with *Gloucestershire next summer*, and the other, Crowe, who has been standing in for Richards this season. Both made half-centuries. But for a further two-and-a-half hours, the crease was occupied by the covers.

At Old Trafford, Fletcher put Lancashire in to bat. At one stage they were 154 for 3, Fowler and Fairbrother in fine fettle. That, however, became 229 all out, four wickets to Pringle and the remainder to the other medium-pacers.

Maximum bowling points to Essex, plus one *for batting – thanks* to a century stand between Gooch and Prichard, who has stealthily moved up the batting order.

Essex are 74 runs in arrears, with nine wickets in hand and that is a far more *commanding position than* Nottinghamshire's who have not won at Taunton since 1968. We await, now, a divine intervention.

Also to be resolved is which county finishes in third place and gains accompanying prize money. It could be one of four, Kent, Middlesex, Sussex or Leicestershire.

Kent, who allowed their match with Middlesex to peter out in farcical fashion on Friday, struggled for points against Glamorgan at Canterbury. *Having won the toss* they collected just one, their batsmen succumbing to Ontong, who finished with six wickets for 52. Middlesex gained some retribution, collecting four bowling points at Gloucestershire's expense. Daniel took four wickets and Cowans five.

At Hove, Sussex were held up in their quest for quick wickets by a 149-run opening partnership between Boycott and Moxon. Both names will be cropping up after the season's end, too: the one as it does every year at this time, and the other in England's winter planning.

perhaps Leicestershire, despite being dismissed for 174, have the best chance of gaining maximum *points*. Clift, proving almost unplayable, took eight for 26 as his county bowled out Warwickshire for 133. They, at least, are halfway through their match and can afford to lose some play to rain.

Davis on W Indies tour

Port of Spain (AFP) – West Indies make one change from the side who whitewashed England for their tour of Australia, which includes five tests, begining on October 19. Winston Davis replaces Wes Small.

After routing England 5-0 West Indies will start as favourites to beat Australia for the second time in a year. Earlier this year they beat the visiting Australians 3-0.

Clive Lloyd, captain, who returned home to Guyana *for a holiday* at the weekend, said: "We beat them here and I don't think they will be very much changed. But it is obvious they will have a greater set of players to choose from and that in itself will be a little bit different."

Lloyd has played 105 tests for West Indies, captaining them in a record 69, of which they have won 33 and lost only 11.

Party: Lloyd, Richards, Greenidge, Haynes, Richardson, Gomes, Dujon, Logie, Marshall, Baptiste, Holding, Garner, Davis, Harper, Payne, Walsh.

YESTERDAY'S OTHER SCOREBOARDS

Sussex v Yorkshire

AT HOVE

Match abandoned. Sussex (4pts) beat Yorkshire on faster scoring rate.

SUSSEX
A M Green c Bairstow b Oldham 30
A P Wells c and b Oldham 51
P W G Parker b Stevenson 69
G D Mendis b Stevenson 25
C M Wells c Oldham b Stevenson 16
I A Greig not out 0
Extras (b 4, l-b 15, w 1, n-b 1) 21
Total (5 wkts, 40 overs) 212
G S le Roux, †D J Smith, *J R T Barclay, D A Reeve and A N Jones did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-78, 2-115, 3-186, 4-212, 5-212.
BOWLING: Sidebottom 8-0-47-0; Boycott 8-1-19-0; Moxon 4-0-32-0; Oldham 8-0-24-2; Stevenson 8-0-45-3; Carrick 4-0-24-0.

YORKSHIRE
M D Moxon c Green b C M Wells 3
G Boycott c Parker b C M Wells 21
A A Metcalf c Mendis b Barclay 23
K Sharp c Parker b Reeve 3
G B Stevenson b Barclay 9
P Robinson b Barclay 2
S N Hartley not out 14
*†D L Bairstow b Reeve 16
P Carrick c Green b Reeve 0
A Sidebottom not out 0
Extras (l-b 5, w 1, n-b 1) 7
Total (8 wkts, 26.4 overs) 98
S Oldham did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-6, 2-50, 3-51, 4-59, 5-63, 6-71, 7-96, 8-96.
BOWLING: C M Wells 8-1-26-2; le Roux 4-1-7-0; Jones 3-0-14-0; Barclay 6-0-28-3; Reeve 5.4-0-21-3.
Umpires: J Birkenshaw and D G L Evans.

Kent v Glamorgan

AT CANTERBURY

Glamorgan (4pts) beat Kent by 17 runs.

GLAMORGAN
J A Hopkins b Alderman 6
A L Jones c and b Alderman 0
G C Holmes b Ellison 53
S P Henderson c and b Alderman 63
H Morris st Waterton b Underwood 3
R C Ontong b Jarvis 6
J G Thomas l-b-w b Underwood 1
J Derrick not out 17
W W Davis c Potter b Jarvis 3
T Davies b Jarvis 4
J F Steele not out 3
Extras 14
Total (9 wkts, 39 overs) 173
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-4, 2-7, 3-96, 4-112, 5-133, 6-142, 7-150, 8-154, 9-169.
BOWLING: Jarvis 8-0-38-3; Alderman 7-2-26-3; Cowdrey 8-0-27-0; Ellison 8-1-23-1; Underwood 8-0-45-2.

KENT
L Potter b Davis 11
N R Taylor l-b-w b Thomas 5
D G Aslett c Jones b Ontong 10
C S Cowdrey c Holmes b Ontong 24
*C J Tavaré c Thomas b Steele 7
R M Ellison st Davies b Holmes 39
S G Hinks c Jones b Derrick 30
†S N V Waterton b Thomas 15
D L Underwood c Steele b Davis 7
T M Alderman not out 0
K B S Jarvis c Steele b Davis 0
Extras (l-b 6, w 2) 8
Total (36.2 overs) 156
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-18, 2-20, 3-52, 4-53, 5-61, 6-126, 7-140, 8-155, 9-156, 10-156.
BOWLING: Davis 6.2-0-16-3; Thomas 7-1-35-2; Steele 8-1-31-1; Ontong 8-3-17-2; Holmes 3-0-26-1; Derrick 4-0-23-1.
Umpires: R Palmer and K E Palmer.

Derbyshire v Hants

AT DERBY

Hampshire (4pts) beat Derbyshire by 6 wkts, in match reduced to 20 overs.

DERBYSHIRE
*K J Barnett b Conner 0
J G Wright run out 38
J E Morris c R A Smith b Jesty 25
W P Fowler c and b Cowley 24
J H Hampshire not out 16
G Miller not out 8
Extras (l-b 6, w 2, n-b 2) 10
Total (4 wkts, 26.1 overs) 116
B G Moir, B Roberts, †R W Taylor, O H Mortensen and P Taylor did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-1, 2-43, 3-87, 4-93.
BOWLING: Conner 6-1-22-1; Andrew 4-0-16-0; Nicholas 5.1-0-32-0; Jesty 6-0-21-1; Cowley 5-0-15-1.

HAMPSHIRE
*M C J Nicholas b Mortensen 26
D R Turner c Taylor b Mortensen 4
T E Jesty c R W Taylor b J P Taylor 6
C L Smith not out 22
R A Smith b Mortensen 7
N G Cowley not out 14
Extras (b 1, l-b 5, w 2, n-b 2) 10
Total (4 wkts, 16.4 overs) 89
J J E Hardy, S Andrew, †R J Parks, R J Maru and C A Connor did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-21, 2-39, 3-46, 4-61.
BOWLING: Mortensen 8-1-25-3; J P Taylor 8-0-46-1; Miller 0.4-0-8-0.
Umpires: H D Bird and J H Harris.

Somerset v Notts

at TAUNTON

Nottinghamshire (4pts) beat Somerset on faster scoring rate, in a match reduced to 20 overs.

SOMERSET
B C Rose c Rice b Hemmings 45
P W Denning b Hadlee 10
P M Roebuck l-b-w b Cooper 17
M D Crowe b Rice 52
*I T Botham c Broad b Hemmings 7
N F M Popplewell b Hadlee 30
V J Marks not out 3
N A Felton not out 4
Extras (b 4, l-b 6, w 2, n-b 1) 13
Total (6 wkts, 36 overs) 181
G V Palmer, †T Gard and C H Dredge did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-25, 2-67, 3-93, 4-107, 5-172, 6-176.
BOWLING: Hadlee 6-1-10-2, Pick 7-0-36-0, Cooper 8-1-32-1, Hemmings 8-0-43-2, Rice 5-0-28-1, Bore 2-0-19-0.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE
B C Broad st Gard b Marks 26
R T Robinson c Felton b Marks 37
R J Hadlee c Rose b Botham 14
*C E B Rice not out 5
D W Randall not out 11
Extras (b 4, l-b 4, w 1) 9
Total (3 wkts, 17.3 overs) 102
P Johnson, † B N French, E E Hemmings, M K Bore, R A Pick and K E Cooper did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-61, 2-89, 3-93.
BOWLING: Marks 8-1-35-2; Dredge 5-0-32-0; Botham 4.3-0-26-1.
Umpires: C Cook and D R Shepherd.

Today's fixtures

County championship (11.0)
DERBY: Derbyshire v Hampshire
BRISTOL: Gloucestershire v Middlesex
CANTERBURY: Kent v Glamorgan
OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v Essex
TAUNTON: Somerset v Nottinghamshire
THE OVAL: Surrey v Worcestershire
HOVE: Sussex v Yorkshire
EDGBASTON: Warwickshire v Leicestershire

Warwicks v Leics

(at EDGBASTON)

Match abandoned. Warwickshire 2pts, Leicestershire 2)

LEICESTERSHIRE
J J Whitaker c P A Smith b Gifford 45
N E Briers l-b-w b Old 4
*D I Gower st Humpage b Gifford 43
P Willey not out 18
T J Boon not out 2
Extras (l-b 12, w 3, n-b 1) 16
Total (3 wkts, 25.1 overs) 128
I P Butcher, G J Parsons, P B Clift, L B Taylor, †P Whitticase and I Carmichael did not bat
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-9, 2-83, 3-126
BOWLING: Small 4-0-22-0; Old 8-1-33-1, Ferreira 4-0-2-0; Gifford 7-0-15-2; Wall 2-1-3-1 14-0.
Umpires: W E Alley and M J Kitchen.

Surrey v Worcs

AT THE OVAL

Match abandoned. Worcs (4pts) beat Surrey on faster scoring rate.

SURREY
*A R Butcher c Curtis b Pridgeon 21
A Needham l-b-w b Ellcock 4
A J Stewart c Curtis b Ellcock 14
M A Lynch run out 28
D M Ward not out 59
†C J Richards b Newport 0
M A Feltham l-b-w b Patel 0
G Monkhouse l-b-w b Newport 16
S T Clarke run out 1
P I Pocock run out 3
N Taylor not out 9
Extras (b 2, l-b 6, w 2, n-b 1) 11
Total (9 wkts) 165
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-11, 2-41, 3-42, 4-96, 5-97, 6-98, 7-145, 8-146, 9-156.
BOWLING: Ellcock 8-0-23-2; Pridgeon 8-0-41-1; Weston 8-0-39-0, Newport 8-0-22-2; Patel 8-0-30-1.

WORCESTERSHIRE
M J Weston st Richards b Pocock 31
T S Curtis not out 48
D N Patel c Feltham b Monkhouse 15
D M Smith not out 2
Extras (l-b 5) 5
Total (2 wkts, 24 overs) 101
D A Banks, *P A Neale, D B d'Oliveira, †D J Humphries, P J Newport, R M Ellcock and A P Pridgeon did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-74, 2-97.
BOWLING: Clarke 4-1-11-0; Feltham 4-1-25-0; Taylor 4-0-17-0; Monkhouse 8-0-34-1; Pocock 4-1-9-1.
Umpires: R Julian and B J Meyer.

County championship

TAUNTON: Somerset 221 for six (70 overs: J W Lloyd 65 not out, M D Crowe 57) v Nottinghamshire.
THE OVAL: Worcestershire 329 for three (93 overs: T S Curtis 105, D S Smith 100 not out; D N Patel 81) v Surrey.
HOVE: Yorkshire 245 for five (81.1 overs: M D Moxon 84, G Boycott 77) v Sussex.
EDGBASTON: Warwickshire 133 (47.1 overs: P B Clift eight for 26), *Leicestershire* 174 (45.3 overs: D I Gower 81; A M Ferreira six for 70).
DERBY: *Hampshire 353 for four (97 overs: D R Turner 124, C L Smith 121, N G Cowley 69 not out) v Derbyshire.*
BRISTOL: Gloucestershire 174 (51.4 overs: N G Cowans five for 63, W W Daniel four for 66). Middlesex 34 for two (15 overs).
CANTERBURY: Kent 195 (65 overs: R C Ontong six for 52), Glamorgan 99 for two (30 overs).
OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire 229 (63.5 overs: *N H Fairbrother 77, G Fowler 63; D R Pringle four for 75*), Essex 155 for one (45 overs: G A Gooch 70, P J Prichard 62 not out)

FOR THE RECORD

EQUESTRIANISM

NATIONS' CUP: 1, Britain 0 (N Skelton on Apollo II 0 and 0, H Dickinson on Just Malone 0 and 0, D Broome on Last Resort 0 and 0, M Pyrah on Towerlands Angelzark did not jump and 0). 2, West Germany 0.25 (F Ligges on Ramzes 0.25 and 0, B Kamps on Saloniki 4 and 0, U Meyer on Zu Bexten Merano 0 did not jump, N Kool on Lovely Boy 0 and 0). 3, France 0.75 (H Bourdy on Julipenus 12 and 0, P Rozier on Janus de Var 0.5 and 0, G de Balona on Lortpierre Malesan 0 and 0.25, F Cottier on Flambo C 0 and eliminated). Standings in President's Cup: 1, Britain 36 pts; 2, West Germany 35; 3, France 32; 4, Switzerland 29.5; 5, Italy 20.5; 6, Belgium 17. Winterthur Prize: 1, R Smith (GB) Sanyo Alabama 0 faults 35.67sec; *2, I Bayer (WG) 0, 36.08; 5, H* Dickinson (GB) Cool Million, 0, 37.26.
CALGARY: The Classique: 1, L Tidball (Can) Lavendel, double clear, 39.78sec; 2, J Whitaker (GB) Ryans Son, double clear, 40.61. Canadian Shield: 1, I Millar (Can), Wotan, double clear, 34.44; 2, P Darragh (Ire) Kuwait Bibi, double clear, 36.90

MODERN PENTATHLON

WARSAW, Friendship Games: Swimming: 1, P Blazek (Cz) 1,268 pts; 2, A Starostin (USSR) 1,252; Individual overall standings (three events): 1, L Fabian (Hun) 3,346; 2, A Starostin (USSR) 3,287. Swimming team: 1, Soviet Union 3,700; 2, Hungary 3,608. Overall team 1, *Hungary 9,891; 2, Czechoslovakia 9,270*.

SPEEDWAY

BRITISH LEAGUE: Swindon 53, Exeter 25, Halifax 35, Sheffield 43; Coventry 37, Wolverhampton 41; Belle Vue 55, Ipswich 23, Kings Lynn 41, Wimbledon 37; Cradley Heath 56, Newcastle 22.
NATIONAL LEAGUE: *Berwick 37, Stoke 42*.
Canterbury: Four team challenge: Hackney 28, Arena Essex 27, Canterbury 27, Wye House 14

ROWING

THAMES DITTON: Skiff regatta. Doubles: Senior: K Workman and K Sheppard (Thames Valley), ½l, 2min 45sec. Junior/Senior: J Page *and J Faulkness (Skiff Club)*, 3l, 2:52. Women's Doubles: Senior: Miss S Wight and Miss A Barrett (Thames Valley), 2½l, 3:14. Junior/Senior: Miss E Chapman and Miss D Brennan (Thames Valley), 1½l, 3:11. Singles: Senior: J Tims (Wraysbury), ½l, 3:2. Junior/Senior: C Williams (Skiff Club), 1l, 3:9. Junior: D Bryan (Wraysbury), 4l, 3:30. Women's Singles: Miss B Sims (Skiff Club), 2lt, 3:27. Junior: Miss J Farraga (Thames Valley), 3l, 3:44.

HOCKEY

KUALA LUMPUR: Junior World Cup: Pakistan 5, Bangladesh 0; India 5, Japan 0; Australia 1, South Korea 0; Malaysia 2, New Zealand 0.

ROLLER SKATING

VIENNA: Women's 10,000m: 1, Cobo 24min 6.03sec. Women's overall street racing: 1, Fernandez 77pts. Men's 5,000m teams: 1, Italy. Men's 20,000m: 1, L Escatin (Sp) 46min 59.48sec; 2, R Harlow (GB) 47:08.04; 3, D Cobley (GB) 47:08.74. Overall Street racing: 1, Penol 106pts; 2, Cobley 87; 3, Harlow 77. 10,000m teams: 1, Britain.

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Minnesota Twins 5, Texas Rangers 4; Oakland A's 9, Cleveland Indians 5; Detroit Tigers 10, Toronto Blue Jays 4; *New York Yankees 12, Boston Red Sox 6*; California Angels 6, Chicago White Sox 5; Baltimore Orioles 5, Milwaukee Brewers 3; *Kansas City Royals 5, Seattle Mariners 4*.
NATIONAL LEAGUE: San Francisco Giants 4, Atlanta Braves 0; St Louis Cardinals 9, Pittsburgh Pirates 2; Chicago Cubs 6, New York Mets 0; Montreal Expos 4, Philadelphia Phillies 0; Los Angeles Dodgers 6, Cincinnati Reds 3.
NATIONAL LEAGUE (Friday): Montreal 7, Philadelphia 1; Pittsburgh 4, St Louis 1; New York 10, Chicago 0; Houston 6, San Diego 4; Cincinnati 1, *Los Angeles 9*; San Francisco 5, Atlanta 4.
AMERICAN LEAGUE: Cleveland 13, Oakland 2; Detroit 7, Toronto 4 (10 innings); New York 4, Boston 2; Milwaukee 10, Baltimore 8; California 16, Chicago 8; Kansas City 5, Seattle 4; Minnesota 7, Texas 3.

GOLF

INZAI, Japan: 271, T Kurihara 64,69,67,71. 273 I Aoki 66,66,71,70. 275 A Yabe 69,70,70,66. C Pavin (U.S.) 69,67,71,68. 277 T Gale (Aus) 70,69,68,70; F Couples (U.S.) 67,73,70,67; T Sugihara 71,69,67,70; N Mikami 70,68,67,72.
Copt Heath: English Club Championship: 291, Ealing (R Willson 73-72, A Rogers 74-72), *Crewe (V C McCandless 70-72, R Smethurst* 73, M Brook 76) (Ealing won on better fifth round – N Connolly 76). 292, Ifield (Jarvis 72-75, Mark Jarvis 73, J Earl 72). 293, Copt Heath (P McEvoy 72-71, J Baker 73-77), Sundridge Park (M Lawrence 70-74, R Lawrence 73, D Wyborn 76).
PORTLAND, OREGON: 142 A Alcott 69, 73; D *Caponi 71, 71; J Carner 72, 70; M Figueras-*Dotti 70, 72; 143 K Baker 68, 75; B Daniel 71, 72; 144 K Young 72, 72; D Coe 7, 72; 145 K Whitworth 75, 70; D Strebig 69, 76; 148 C Panton (GB) 75, 73.
BOSTON: PGA tournament: 204 J Sindelar 71, 64, 69; 205 C Peete 66, 71, 68; G Archer 69, 66, 70. 206 T Valentine 72, 67, 67. 207 R Shearer (Aus) 67, 69, 71; J Mahaffey 70, 69, 68. 208 B Jaeckel 69, 70, 69; G Gilbert 71, 68, 69. 209 K Brown (GB) 71, 72, 66.

YACHTING

GENOA: Optimist dinghy world championships: *Overall: 1, X Garcia (Sp) 5.1pts; 2, N Braquenais (Sp) 68; 3, V Monzon (Sp) 72.1.* Teams: 1, Spain 6pts.
COWS: J-24: 1, Sanjola 111 (J R Adams); 2, Justice (D Bates); 3, Dreadnought (C Hall). Sigmas: 1, Warp Factor 1 (R G Fielder); 2, Shogun of Lawrensy (W M Curry); 3, Acrimony (M D Dickson). Darings: 1, Deinos (J R Green and J M Shouthern); 2, Ding Dong (B Z De Ferranti); 3, Dido (J Vernon and P G Egan). Dragons: 1, Chinook (R C King); 2, Leviathan (W S Peese and L D De Rothchilds); 3, Fanfare (Brig P H Henson). Flying Fifteens: 1, Filipinek (J Corby); 2, Gee Whiz II (G Mc Cutcheon); 3, Spectre III (D Rutherford). Yesterday: Sigmas: 1, Starshine (W Smith); 2, *Warp Factor (R G Fielder); 3, Brightwork (G J* Fairhall).

ATHLETICS

TAIPEI: 100m: 1, Purnomo 10.34sec (Asian record); 2, J Wheeler (US) 10.42; 3, Y Shimizu (Jap) 10.49. Women's 100m J Innis (Guy) 11.60; 2, Z Johnson (US) 11.84. 1500m J Gladwin (GB) 3:52.88; 110m hurdles: Wu Chin-Jin (Taiwan) 14.17sec; 2, H Teape (GB) 14.21sec. Women: 1500m: J Marlow (GB) 4:16.78 sec. High jump: 1, T Eleon (US) 1.81m; 2, G Evans (GB) 1.78.
IPSWICH: Marathon: 1, R Payne, 2hr 29min 22sec; 2, J Peacock, 2:39:38; 3, N Rust, 2:41:45. Women: 1, S Eastal, 2:58:38. Half marathon: 1, A Girling, 1:08:06.
DARTMOOR: Marathon: 1, F Elford, 2:41:40; 2, M Thorne, 2:49:51; 3, L Fitzgerald, 2:52:11. Women: 1, S Currie, 3:29:23.
GRAVESEND: North Kent marathon: 1, R Friend, 2:27:14; 2, J Wilkins, 2:30:23; 3, G Meredith, 2:35:48. Women: 1, E Way, 3:09:27.
POOLE: Wessex marathon: 1, I Critchlow, 2:34:40; 2, E French, 2:38:25; 3, G Gilbert, 2:39:34. Women: 1, C Hughes, 3:10:25. Half marathon: 1, T Coleman, 1:12:54; 2, *M Lake*, 1:14:46; 3, A Rich, 1:16:21
LAKES MOUNTAIN RACE: Men (18 miles): 1, W Bland (Keswick AC), 4hr 00min 01sec; 2, J Broxap (Keswick AC), 4:33.00; 3, J Maitland (Grampian AC), 4:35.00. Women (12 miles): 1, V Thornton (Kendal AC), 4:08.39; 2, R Hancock *(Airianteers AC)*, 4:08.69; 3, B Hogge (Eryri), 4:15.51.
DONETSK: Soviet championships: Men: 100m: 1, A Semjonov, 10.37sec. 400m: 1, V Krykov, 46.06sec. 1,500m: 1, V Kalinkine, 3min 40.48sec. 10,000m: 1, A Krokmaluk, 28min 38.78sec. 400m hurdles: 1, V Budko, 48.74sec. 3,000m steeplechase: 1, I Konovalov, 8min 29.65sec. Long jump: 1, V Layevsky, 8.32m. Pole vault: 1, S Bubka, 5.80m. Hammer: 1, I Nikulin, 78.80m. Shot: 1, V Kiselev, 21.43m. Women: 400m: 1, O Vladykina, 50.50sec. 800m: 1, E Podkopaeva, 1min 59.51sec. 3,000m: 1, G Zaokorova, 8min 37.07sec. 100m hurdles: 1, M Merchuk, 13.08sec. 400m hurdles: 1, E Filipishine, 55.02sec. High jump: *1, O Turchak, 1.98m. Shot: 1, N Abashidze,* 21.13m. Discus: 1, G Savinkova, 73.28m.

SHOOTING

BISLEY: British pistol club championship: Centre fire: 1, R Northover, 582pts; 2, J Gough, 582; 3, H Hunter, 578. Three pistol: 1, F Wyatt, 556; 2, W B Smith, 546; 3, N Gent, 542. Rapid fire: 1, H Markham, 583; 2, D Johnson, 581; 3, Hunter, 579. Air pistol: 1, P Leatherdale 575; 2, Wyatt, 571; 3, Gent, 562. Standard pistol: 1, R Cadogan, 588; 2, P Clark, 582; 3, D Levine, 580. Women's match: 1, S Poole, 575; 2, S Lovegrove, 569; 3, J Golding, 567. Women's air pistol: 1, T Henry, 360; 2, B Barber, 359; 3, Lovegrove, 347. Overall: Hunter, 23; 2, Northover, 22; 3, Wyatt, 19.

CYCLING

MOSCOW: 3km race: 1, E Salumiae (USSR) 3min 55.835sec (world indoor record).
PADUA: Tour of Venizia (236k): 1, M Argentin 6:15.00; 2, E Moroni same time; 3, C Corti at 4sec.
TOUR DE L'AVENIR: Albi: Fourth stage (168km from Millau): 1, B Wiss (Switz) 4hr 17min 26sec; 2, B van Brabant (Bel) 1min behind; 3, W Martinello (It). Castres: Fifth stage: Wiss 5:23.15; 2, E Boyer (Fr) 5:23.25 with bonus; 3, M Gomez (Fr) 5:23.20 with bonus.

BADMINTON

TELFORD: ESBA under-16 tournament: Boy's singles: G Brocklesby beat C Palmer, 15-10, 13-15, 17-14. *Girl's singles: F Gallup beat* T Salmon, 11-7, 8-11, 12-11. Boy's doubles: C Hunt and A Fairhurst beat N Prior and T Vickers, 15-6, 17-16. Girl's doubles: T Dineen and J Munday beat Gallup and S Hore, 17-15, 18-16.

GAELIC FOOTBALL

GALWAY SENIOR FINAL: Tuam 1/9, Dunmore 7.
MONAGHAN SENIOR FINAL: Scotstown 11, Enniskillen 4.

HURLING

WATERFORD SENIOR FINAL: Tallow 2/12, Portlaw 2/1.
LAOISE SENIOR FINAL: Portlaoise 1/8, Harps 2/5.

FOOTBALL

FEZ: African Club Champions Cup: Quarter-final, First leg: Mas Fes 1, Shooting Stars, Ibadan 1.

BASKETBALL

LINKOPING: Group A: Romania 87, Norway 64; Sweden 72, Belgium 68; Czechoslovakia 79, Turkey 62. Group B: Finland 81, England 80; Hungary 77, Poland 78; Bulgaria 79, Greece 72.

BOWLS

OXFORD: Two fours championship: Final: View Lane Park (Durham) (I Stapin 31, T Butler 16) bt Knowle (Bristol) (L Goddard 11, G Tembiett 25) 38.

ICE HOCKEY

Calgary: Canada Cup: Sweden 4, West Germany 2.

CYCLING: Sean Kelly of Ireland, despite having to abandon last Sunday's road race in the world championships in Barcelona, keeps his lead in the Super Prestige Pernod rankings, and is likely to *finish* the professional cycling season as unofficial world champion.

The rankings are based on performances throughout the season. Kelly has 335 points, well ahead of the Australian's Phil Anderson (182), Bernard Hinault of France (180), and Tour de France winner, Laurent Fignon of France (170). Francesco Moser, of Italy, is fifth on 135 points and last year's world champion, Greg Lemond, of the United States, is sixth on 125.

MOTOR RACING

Brancatelli storms in

By Jeremy Shaw

The fickle autumnal weather was responsible for most of the drama in yesterday's 48th running of the RAC Tourist Trophy at Silverstone. For the first half of the 107-lap Istel-supported race, run in fine conditions, Tom Walkinshaw's Jaguar team were in the first three places, leaving the strong BMW, Rover and Volvo opposition struggling in their wake.

But then came a downpour of torrential proportions, and within minutes the track was completely awash. Several cars slid off, including the second-placed Jaguar XJS of Win Percy and Chuck Nichloson.

With cars littered around the circuit and others reduced to a crawl, the organizers, belatedly, sent out a pace-car. The surviving runners were obliged to follow at a sedate speed before the track was adjudged clear enough for racing to continue.

Taking advantage of a rapid stop for grooved tyres, the BMW 635 CSi driven by Hans Stuck and Dieter Quester took up the running, with the Austrian, Quester, the reigning touring car champion, at the wheel. Soon, however, superior wet weather rubber enabled a similar car being driven by Gianfranco Brancatelli and Helmut Kelleners to close up, with the other Jaguar of Tom Walkinshaw and Hans Heyer, which had been delayed during the rainstorm, third.

On the ninetieth lap, Brancatelli swept into the lead, soon to be followed by Walkinshaw, driving determinedly despite a sick engine. He had closed the gap to 12 seconds when, with eight laps to go, and as he sensed a marvellous victory, his V12 engine expired.

This left Brancatelli to complete on to a deserved if somewhat fortunate victory, his second of the year, and closed the gap between himself and Walkinshaw, who leads the Car championship.

RESULTS: 1, H Kelleners (WG) and G Brancatelli (Italy), BMW, 107 laps 3hr 22min 26.77sec, 92.57 mph; 2, E Calderari (Switz) and D Sears (GB), Jaguar, 3:23:.66; 3, H J Stuck (WG) and D Quester (Aus), BMW, 3:23:14.58; 4, J Weaver (GB) and M Thackwell (NZ), BMW, 3:24:08.69; 5, M Delcourt (Bel) and P Dieudonne (Bel), Volvo 106 laps; 6, T Lindstrom (Swed) and A Olofsson (Swed), Volvo, 106 laps. Fastest lap: T Walkinshaw (GB) Jaguar, 1min 38.77sec, 106.85.

● ST PIE, QUEBEC (AP) – Rick Mears, aged 31, was in serious but stable condition following a crash during the opening practice session for the Indy 200 at Sanair Super Speedway.

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FOOTBALL

Possession is brought down to a fine art at Loftus Road

By Stuart Jones, Football Correspondent

There are two leading schools of thought in the modern game. One theory, advocated among others by Charles Hughes, the *assistant director* of coaching at the Football Association, is that the reduction of midfield frills will lead to an increse in goalmouth incidents. In practice the outcome is sometimes ugly, often ragged and always busy.

The other, held among others by the late *Bill Shankly* and Terry Venables, former managers of Liverpool and Queen's Park Rangers, is that care and purpose during the build-up will result in overall control. In practice, the outcome is sometimes frustrating, often laborious and always simple. It is also undeniably the most effective.

In both the domestic and foreign competitions the recent honours have all been claimed by those who favour "the possession game", as visitors to Anfield, for instance, have discovered over the years. They have no answer when it is carried out as it should be. Nottingham Forest learnt the lesson again on Saturday but this time at Loftus Road where they lost 3-0.

For the opening half hour Rangers, toying with the League leaders, touched perfection itself. Their display was so masterful and so beautiful that the two spectacular goals they scored as well were almsot superfluous. When the successor to Venables, Alan Mullery said that "my lot were absolutley brilliant," he could not be accused of exageration.

Mullery revealed that last week a supporter had sent him a thesis on *Lverpool's* successs over the last two decades. it confirmed his belife. "THey just concentrate on keeping the ball," he said. "That's how the game should be played. Not this hundred mile an hour stuff that Charlie Hughes goes on about."

Once Raners were comfortably ahead, through Fereday and Bannister (and the memory of that six-man move will warm many a winter's evening) they killed the game, and forced forest to run around in ever widening circles of heplessness. Fereday, a winger with alarming speed, added a third goal midway through the second half for his won personal satisfaction.

Forest, bemused all afternoon by an offside trap that they sprung but once, escaped only from the referee. He followed a disturbing pattern of inconsistency that is far from rare nowadays by choosing to book Wicks, Fenwick and Gregory while ingoring the over exuberant challenges particularly of Hart and Bowyer.

Fenwick, a member of the England squad that gathered yesterday for the international against East Germany on Wednesday, was outstanding in defence, and Stainrod, included on the summer tour of South America but now disappointingly overlooked, recalled the swaggering *aggrogance* of Rodney Marsh in attack. Fillery and Gregory provided supreme composure and delightful skill in between.

Mullery, although understandably elated, remained suitably realistic. He is still finding his way around his new club and also their pitch. Before the start of the season it was so heavily sanded in order to deaden the bounce that the players now look at times as though they are pounding through the desert.

Although Rangers will be competing on foreign soil during both legs of their *forthcoming* UEFA Cup *tie* against Rekjavic (they are to stage the home game on October 2 at Highbury), Europe should provide them with an ideal stage on which to display their technical brillilance. That is not one of the first division's strongest features.

Almost all the side who are blessed with it such as Arsenal, Liverpool, Manchester United, Tottenham Hotspur and Rangers – have already begun to confirm *their* superiority, even if ohers, specially Southampton, have yet to do so. It must be to the benefit of the sport in this country if they lead the way into the future.

Bobby Robson, as he stands on the threshold of a fresh World Cup campaign, is more *than aware of the currant* deficiencies. He knows that, although England's heart, spirit and stamina remains the envy of the world, the level of technique has fallen away. That is why he recently introduced another school, of so-called excellence, at Lilleshall.

QPR: P. Hucker W. Neill, I. Dawes, W. Fereday, S. Wicks, T. Fenwick, G. Micklewhite, M. Fillery, G. Bannister, S. Stainrod, J. Gregory.
NOTTINGHAM FOREST: S. Sutton; B. Gunn, K. Swain, C. Fairclough, P. Hart, I. Bowyer, S. Wigley, J. Metgod, T. Christie (sub: G. Mills), P. Davenport, S. Hodges.
Referee: I. Borrett (Suffolk).

Merciful Aberdeen

By Hugh Taylor

Aberdeen beat Morton with such conmmeptuous ease at Greenock that it is difficult even at this early stage of the season to see any rival preventing them retaining the premier division title. A class above their bewildered opponents, they scored their three goals through Stark, Falconer and Black, and could easily have doubled that total.

They were in merciful mood, however, and appeared *content* merely to demonstrate their stylish football – which has obviously not been diminished by the departure of Strachan, McGhee and Rougvie. *Their* 3–0 *win maintains* their 100 per cent League record and enables them to stay at the top of the table, two points ahead of Rangers, whom they meet on Saturday.

Rangers were not impressive against Hibernian, although they won 2–0 with goals score by Paterson and MacDonald. The match unfortunately was spoilt by *crowd trouble.* A *spectator ran on to* the Ibrox pitch and struck the Hibernian player, McKee, and a Scottish Football Association inquiry will be held into the incident. Recently the Rangers manager, Jock Wallace, had warned supporters that the club's future in the UEFA Cup could be jeopardized if there is any crowd misbehaviour in their match against Bohemians in Dublin on Wednesday week.

While Rangers may at times appear vulnerable in defence and lack a free-scoring attacker, they nevertheless have yet to lose and their win *over* Hibernian stretches their unbeaten run to eight games.

Celtic who could only draw 1–1 with Dumbarton, were so out of touch that they were bitterly criticized by their manager, David Hay, who called their display "shameful". This was Celtic's fourth draw in five premier division games and their manager is so dissatisfied with their progress that he indicated that some of their young reserves might be given a run against Heart of Midlothian next Saturday.

Celtic are now trailing four points behind the leaders, and Dundee United are even more embarrassingly placed, having taken only three points. They were beaten 4–3 at home by their neighbours, Dundee,

BELGRADE: The goalkeeper, Dragan Pantelic, has been recalled to the Yugoslav squad for Wednesday's match against Scotland in Glasgow (Agence France-Presse reports).

SQUAD: Pantelic, Stojic, Pudar, Miljus, Baljic, Radanovic, Matijevic, Jozic, Josic, Gracan, Sliskovic, Bazdarevic, Georgijevski, Bahtic, Vokri, Pancev, Batrovic.



The right angle made by Hansen is the wrong one for Woodcock (Photograph: Chris Cole)

Arsenal find time on their side

By Clive White

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In sports journalism the latest, of course, is always the greatest. Consequently after this impressive Arsenal victory the managers were being asked questions like 'How favourably does the Woodcock-Mariner partnership compare with that of Radford and Kennedy?' and 'Is this the best Arsenal side since the days of Brady and Stapleton?'

Typically, it was only three hours of football earlier that Arsenal were being chastised for their defeat at Nottingham Forest.

In truth, Arsenal are a solid, confident, well balanced side who lead the table after just five games. And before it can be assumed that they are Canon League champions-elect, it should be remembered that a lot of the best football on Saturday came from the current holders of that title Liverpool.

But Arsenal did catch the eye. Anderson has settled in and provided a simple answer to their right back problem. He is striding forward on those long, spidery legs as boldly as ever he did at Forest. Don Howe, the Arsenal manager, said Anderson disaproved the theory that it was Howe himself who picked *England teams.* "If I did, he'd be the first person I'd choose."

Talbot, too, given a more forward role, is reaping a personal reward for his prodigious work rate. He is the leading scorer with four goals, two of them free kick benders. Goal-scoring midfield workers are a priceless commodity, nowhere more so than in the international market. More importantly, for the future, in the defensive midfield position, the 19-year-old No 7 is slowly adding to the fame of the name of Robson. If the improvement over the next two years is as great as the last two, then Stewart Robson may complete an unusual England trio. His suppression of the awkward Wark was crucial to Arsenal's success on Saturday.

For the first 30 minutes Liverpool were nicely in tune, the ball singing sweetly from one to another and it was all Arsenal could do to hum along. Woodcock, though, was buzzing menacingly around Neal and it *usually* required the dependable Lawrenson to swat the threat. At a time when both sides should have been tucking-in to their oranges, the limping Lawrenson *failed to make his tackle on* Woodcock and then Molby, struggling for pace, clumsily drove into Nicholas as thouh he were a dodgem.

Talbot bent the free-kick the same way as he did another in midweek and *the half, in which there had* been two short stoppages, ended after 49 minutes 19 seconds. If victory had hinged on that, the afable Joe Fagan, the Liverpool manager, might have cloaked his criticisms less heavily. But I doubt it.

His harshest words concerned the "farcical goals" that followed. From a forward's point of view, they were well earned, though Howe admitted they had the luck. Woodcock drove with accuracy for his goal after an Anderson cross and Talbot's move towards a powered header of another Anderson cross began a long way off. Liverpool's reply was a simple one by the persistent Kennedy.

From such a position, Arsenal began to play with the fluency and arrogance for which Howe, the supposed regimentarian, yearns. Now it has to be sustained. Liverpool's three bookings (Lee, *Molby* and *Dalglish*) may have been an indication of their frustration but it did not reflect their determination which Fagan must stiffen, not to mention the defence.

ARSENAL: P Jennings; V Anderson, K Sansom, B Talbot, D O'Leary, T Caton, S Robson, C Nicholas, P Mariner, A Woodcock, P Davis.
LIVERPOOL: B Grobbelaar; P Neal, A Kennedy, M Lawrenson, R Whelan, A Hansen, K Dalglish, S Lee, P Walsh, J Molby, J Wark.
Referee: T Bune (Newbury).

Youth bolsters injury-hit West Ham

By David Powell

West Ham United	2
Watford	0

West Ham United have returned to their early season watering hole near the top of the first division. This time last year they led the *League after five straight wins,* and now only Arsenal are ahead of them in the queue. They will welcome a seven-day breather because their front-line troops have been thinned out to a size which might have been intolerable had it not been for their productive youth scheme.

To a casualty list containing Swindlehurst, Parkes, Devonshire and Goddard, the name of Campbell must be added. His collision with Sherwood left him with a suspected fractured jaw, and, as with Swindlehurst, Parkes and Devonshire, his injury will take some weeks to heal. For one-and-a-half matches, while Campbell was there, West Ham fielded seven former members of their youth team and each has learned to play in the club's familiar uninhibited style, even when the more celebrated names are missing.

Goddard should be fit to return against Chelsea next Saturday, and the battalion will grow stronger if Peter Barnes signs from Leeds United. John Lyall, the West Ham manager, gave the former England winger the weekend to consider an offer and his decision is expected today. If Barnes accepts, the transfer fee will be a mere one-tenth of the £930,000 Leeds paid to West Bromwich Albion for him four years ago.

On Saturday it was another Barnes, Bobby, a smaller midfield version, who secured West Ham's third win in eight days by scoring within 60 seconds of Sinnott's 50th minute own-goal. Watford's insouciance in defence so roused their manager, Graham Taylor, *that* the profligate finishing of Reilly and Johnston went almost unnoticed by comparison.

Johnston, having headed over the bar from close range after five minutes, then put a penalty, hard earned by Starling when tripped by Lamperd, too close to McAlister. The introduction of Bonds as substitute (his 700th League appearance) pushed Dickens forward to take Campbell's place but neither did any thing to increase Sherwood's limited involvement.

Fluent in movement though they were, West Ham managed the unusual achievement of going one goal ahead without having registerd a shot on target. Allen, the best *player on view, fired in a low cross* which Sinnott deflected past his own goalkeeper; almost immediately Cottee crossed from a similar position and Barnes tapped the ball *in* after his first attempt, a header, had rebounded off Bardsley.

WEST HAM UNITED: T McAlister; R Stewart, S Walford, P Allen, A Martin, A Gale, R Barnes, G Campbell (sub: W Bonds), A Cottee, A Dickens, C Pike.
WATFORD: *S Sherwood, D Bardsley,* K Jackett, L Blissett, S Terry, L Sinnott, N Callaghan, M Johnson, G Reilly (sub: G Porter), J Barnes, W Sterling.
Referee: B Stevens (Stonehouse).

United find Newcastle generous visitors

By Nicholas Harling

Manchester United	5
Newcastle United	0

What Arsenal had threatened to achieve in midweek by routing Newcastle, *Manchester United* emphatically accomplished on Saturday, albeit with a little help from the visiting defenders. Ron Atkinson had said it all along, of course, that some team was going to get a "tousing" from his side, who were in the frustrating habit of failing to translate their superiority into a scoreline that reflected their magnificence.

What the Manchester United manager could have expected, for all United's possession and spontaneity, in which the one-touch play of Olsen was a feature, was the absolute generosity afforded his team by Newcastle. Two of the goals resulted from defensive clumsiness and a third was a harshly-awarded penalty.

Still, it was a handsome way of ending a run of four successive draws, and in front of the biggest crowd of the season to boot. But what of Newcastle? It does seem that after two defeats their bubble has burst, as we all knowingly said it would, and that Jack Charlton's team are going to be more concerned with the wrong end of the first division than chasing titles. Though it would be uncharacteristic of Charlton not to swiftly rectify matters.

He acknowledges one of his problems, at least. "I've got to go out and buy a midfield player," he said, knowing that Newcastle, in spite of stringing four men across the middle, had been overwhelmed in that area. He withdrew Wharton from a position in support of the front two to reinforce the middle three, but once Newcastle's resistance had evaporated, it would not have made much difference had he strung all 11 across the centre line. The pity of it is that Charlton does have one extremely competent midfield player on his staff, only Terry McDermott is currently out of favour because he is in dispute over terms and wants to get away.

For 44 minutes, Newcastle had restricted United to three chances besides creating one excellent one of their own. Then tragedy. Ryan lost possession to Olsen, who rounded Carr with ease to put United on their way.

Four minutes after the interval, Brown's challenge on Albiston *seemed a perfectly legitimate sliding* tackle, but not according to the referee. Strachan slotted in the penalty.

Whiteside put Hughes through *for the third goal and with United* now rampant, a bewildering exchange of passes let Moses in for the fourth before Strachan danced round Brown for the fifth. Newcastle collapsed at one end, it was impossible not to admire the way Waddle and especially Beardsley beavered away at the other. On this day, however, nothing went right for them, and United, as Atkinson conceded, had all the breaks.

MANCHESTER UNITED: G Bailey; M Duxbury, A Albiston, R Moses, K Moran, G Hogg, B Robson, G Strachan, M Hughes, N Whiteside, J Olsen.
NEWCASTLE UNITED: K Carr; M Brown, J Ryan (sub J Anderson), S Carney, G Roeder, W Saunders, N McDonald, K Wharton, C Waddle, P Beardsley, D McCreery.
Referee: L M Robinson (Sutton Coldfield).

Armstrong joins strike force

Gerry Armstrong reluctantly joined the strike by Spanish professional footballers over the weekend. The Northern Ireland forward, who plays for the second division club Real Mallorca, said yesterday: At one point, it seems I was the only professional left in Spain who was going to play. The players' union got on to me and told me *all* the other foreign players, including Steve Archibald, had come out in support of the strike. I had no choice but to agree." Armstrong will link up with the Irish team this morning for Wednesday's World Cup game against Romania in Belfast.

Neal's winner

Millwall 1 Orient 0

Dean Neal's 37th minute goal gave Millwall victory over Orient yesterday, but the fine goalkeeping of *Rhys* Wilmont, on loan from Arsenal, prevented a much bigger defeat. Silkman prompted Orient in the first half but his forwards failed to take their chances. Neal, always threatening, robbed Foster and placed a low shot to the right of Wilmot to give the home team a well-deserved win.

TENNIS

A warning to Miss Navratilova that she cannot ignore

From Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent, Flushing Meadow

If ever there was too much of a good thing – in this case, a very good thing – it was Saturday's programme on the stadium court in the United States championships. Play spanned a total of more than 12 hours. First Stan Smith beat John Newcombe in an over-35 singles that raised images of their 1971 Wimbledon final. This was an example of the right match being played in the wrong place at the wrong time.

Then Ivan Lendl beat Pat Cash 3-6, 6-3, 6-4, 6-7, 7-6 in three hours and 39 minutes in a men's semi-final. This was the best match of the day, left everyone emotionally drained, but was no more than the second course of a gargantuan feast. Martina Navratilova beat Chris Lloyd 4-6, 6-4, 6-4 in the women's singles final, which lasted an hour and 47 minutes but did not maintain the dramatic quality the score may suggest.

Then John McEnroe beat Jimmy Connors 6-4, 4-6, 7-5, 4-6, 6-3 in the second men's semi-final. This lasted three hours and 45 minutes, finished at 11.13 pm, and left McEnroe with less than 17 hours in which to recharge his batteries before the final with Lendl – who came *from behind to beat McEnroe in* the French final.

The quality of the day's tennis was predictably high, if its quantity ludicrously excessive. Moreover, two incidents in the last match reminded us of the modern tendency for self-important celebrities to arrogate powers that do not belong to them. A British line judge, Marc Cox, and a British photographer, Tommy Hindley, were removed at the players' request.

Hindley angrily and correctly pointed out that he was working from a familar position officially allocated to his profession. But he and a French colleague had to leave anyway. Presumably such incidents point in one of two directions: either tennis officials must acquire the guts to stand up to the players, as Hindley did, or we may progress to a point at which the likes of McEnroe and Connors will be allowed to dismiss anyone whose presence displeases them.

Miss Navratilova has won six consecutive grand slam singles titles, 55 consecutive matches, and 109 of her last 110 singles. There were two unexpected features of the final. First, Mrs Lloyd went back to the old routine of tactical manoeuvring from the baseline, as distinct from the more overtly aggressive game that served her will against Miss Navratilova at Madison Square Garden and Wimbledon in turn.

Second, Miss Navratilova invited trouble by lax concentration and its predictable consequences: tactical indescretions and technical errors. In the past week or so her tennis has often hinted at all that. She may be less strongly motivated these days. Or has she begun to take her awesome supremacy for granted – and to assume that a meticulous mental effort is no longer necessary? Against Mrs Lloyd, it is.

The score justified Mrs Lloyd's choice of strategy and demonstrated, too, that Miss Navratilova can win even when her overall level of performance falls short of the standard she has set. Mrs Lloyd's reactions were fast and, except for some unforced errors on the forehand, she played admirably: notably during a run of four games from 3-4 down in the first set.

Then Miss Navratilova pulled herself together and began to work harder, mentally and physically. She found her rhythm with her service and volley, otherwise sparred patiently for her openings, and was never in trouble again. Thus she acquired a 31-30 lead in her 11-year rivalry with Mrs Lloyd. Afterwards Miss Navratilova sobbed into her towel. She had been scared. She had been warned.

Cash, aged 19, is the hefty, well-muscled Australian who gave McEnroe a tough semi-final at Wimbledon. In Saturday's fifth set he saved a match point with a fierce service, at 4-5, then broke through for 6-5 and had a match point himself. Lendl saved that with a superb lob played on the run. Cash has impressively forced his way into the front rank while still learning his trade. In particular, his forehand volley needs attention.

McEnroe and Connors spread before us all the exciting *qualities* that have become familiar. Theirs was a thrilling match illuminated by dazzling rallies and shots of improbable splendour. The most interesting other feature was the evidence that McEnroe's variety of spin does not "bite", on a smooth, hard court as it does on most *other surfaces.*

MEN'S SINGLES: Semi-final round: I Lendl (Cz bt P Cash (Aus), 3-6, 6-3, 6-4, 6-7, 7-6; J McEnroe (US) bt J Connors (US), 6-4, 4-6, 7-5, 4-6, 6-3.

WOMEN'S SINGLES: Final: M Navratilova (US) bt C Lloyd (US), 4–6, 6-4, 6-4.

Martina Navratilova: less strongly motivated now?

SWANSEA: England beat Wales 8-4. (England first): D Shaw bt S Richards 6-3, 6-0, wo S Jones, scr; H McGuiness bt Jones 6-7, 6-2, 6-6, ret, bt Richards 3-6, 6-2, 6-1; S King bt N Lloyd 6-2, 6-0, bt N Lawrence 3-6, 6-2, 6-3; S Matthews lost to Lawrence 6-3, 3-6, 1-6, lost tok Lloyd, scr; King and Matthews wo Jones and Lawrence, scr, lost to Lloyd and Richards, scr; McGuiness and Shaw lost to Lloyd and Richards 4-6, 7-5, 4-6, wo Jones and Lawrence.

OLYMPIC GAMES: Nelson, *Paillou, president of the French* Olympic committee, said during the world parachuting championships at vichy that he is in favour of parachuting being included in the Olympics.

Course record broken by improved Upton

By David Powell

Steven Upton, who vowed to win this year's quadrathon when he crossed the line second last year, did precisely that yesterday in a course-record time. His journey from Brighton to Gravesend, which comprised a two-mile swim, a 32-mile walk, 100 miles on a bike then a full marathon run, took him 16hrs 8min 8sec.

Richard Crane, winner of the inaugural race last August, worked his way up to third finishing position after experiencing difficul*ties in the swim from which he* emerged forty-seventh. Hypothermia was a major problem as 25 of the 91 starters failed to finish the first section.

Upton, aged 27, from Rainham, Kent, improved steadily on his twenty-eighth place in the swim. With 57 minutes in hand over his nearest rival by the start of the marathon, there was never any chance of a repeat of last year's finish when Upton was overtaken with only six miles remaining.

● NICE, France (AFP) – More than 100 of an entry of more than 400, including 24 women, failed to finish the world triathlon championship here – some 70 of them dropping out during the 3.21 kilometre swimming event.

LEADING FINAL POSITIONS: 1, M Allen (US) 6hrs 5min 22.22sec; 2, D Scott (US), 6:07:58.13; 3, S Tinley (US), 6:16:40.54; 4, K Glah (GB), 6:36:22.98; 5, G Hoover (US), 6:43:54.92.

POWERBOATING

Woods in sight of world second place

From a Special Correspondent, Munich

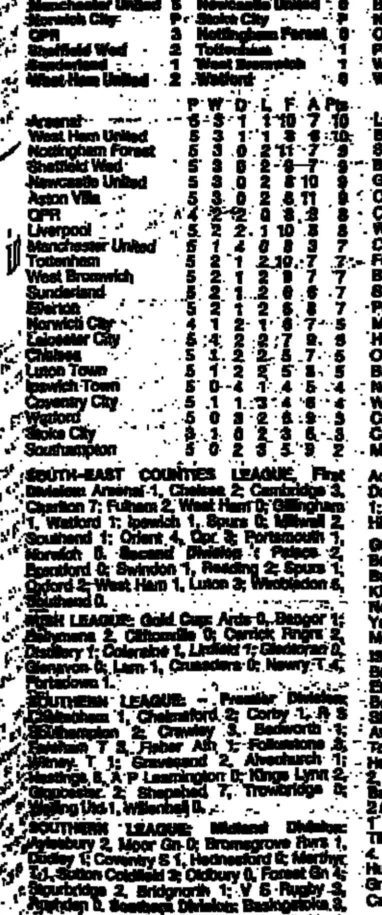
Barry Woods won his third Formula One grand prix in a row in Munich at the weekend. The American won the first two three 15-lap heats on the rowing course built for the 1972 Olympic Games and was declared the victor after the *final* was abandoned due to the ever-increasing wind.

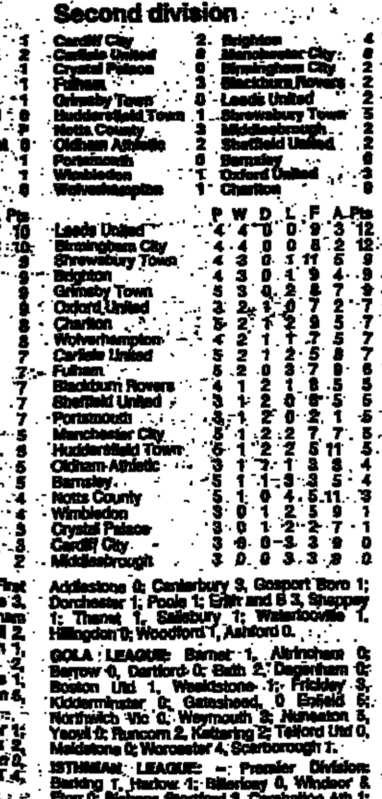
However, Renato Molinari is assured of the world title, having increased his lead still further with a *second place here. He has now* 45 points, ahead of Cees van der Welden, on 33. With van der Welden out of the remainder of the championships, as a protest against *the lack of safety regulations,* Woods only needs to finish in the first three in the final grand prix in Milan, to take second place in the world championship.

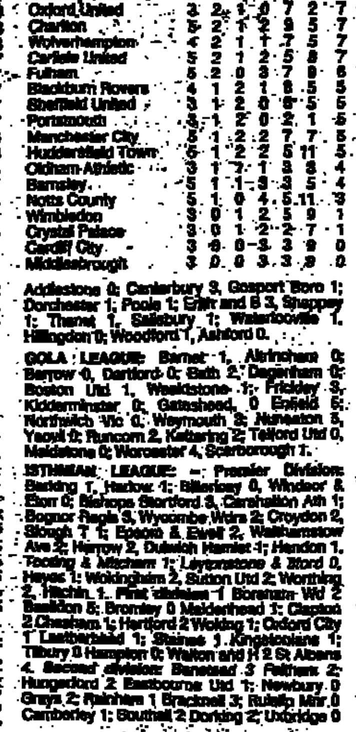
The overall speeds were well down in the gusting winds, Woods logging the best average of 142kph. However, the Formula Two world champion, Michael Werner, was *caught out when the final race was* attempted.

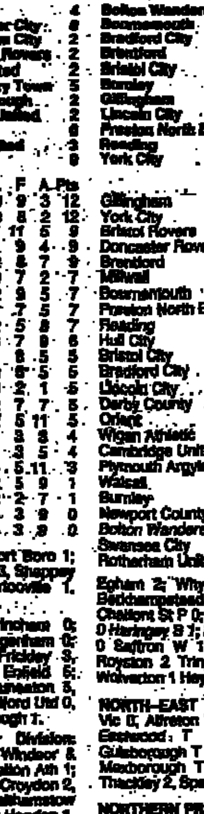
MUNICH GRAND PRIX: 1, Woods (USA), Motul/Molinari/Evinrude, 800pts; 2, Molinari (It), Martini/Molinari/Evinrude, 600; 3, Vicoli (It), Martini/Molinari/Evinrude, 450; 4, Werner (WG), Liquimoly/Seebold/Mercury, 290; 5, Bullen (GB), ITC/Burgess/Johnson, 280; 6, Thibodaux (US), Molinari/Johnson, 166. Overall: 1, Molinari, 45; 2, van der Welden, 33; 3, Woods 30.
Formula Three: 1, Elliott (GB); 2, Walusch (WG); 3, Selva (It); 4, Grootegoed (Neth); 5, Radaelli (It); 6, Selva (It).

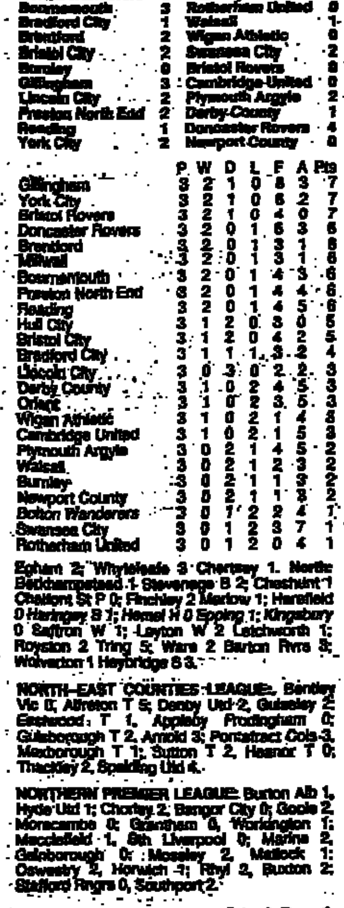
WEEKEND FOOTBALL AND RUGBY UNION RESULTS

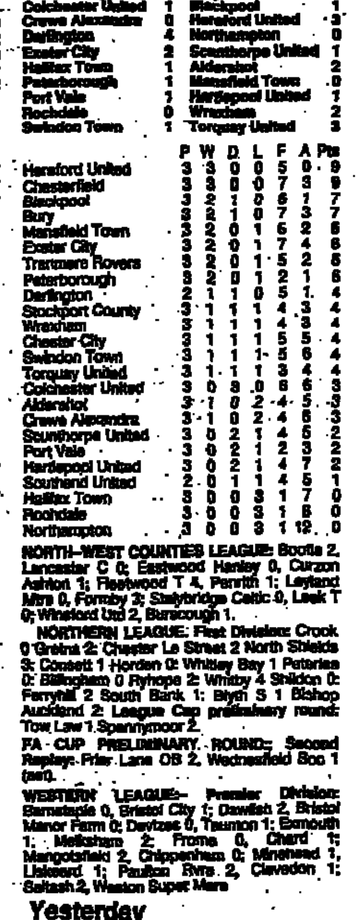






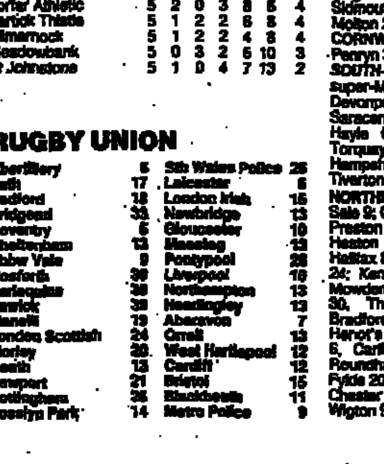


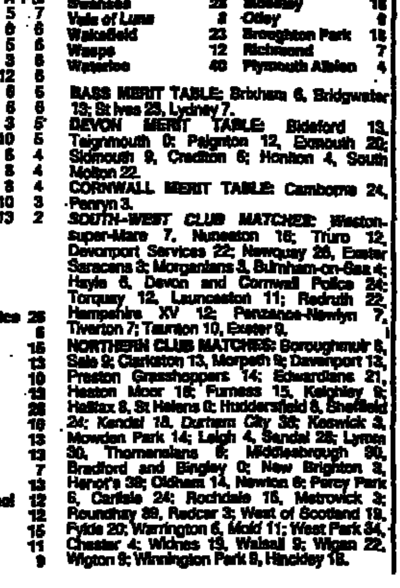


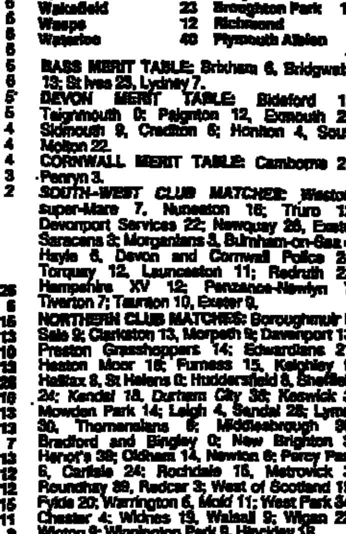












TODAY'S FIXTURES

FOOTBALL

Kick-off 7.30 unless stated.

Fourth division
Southend United v Darlington

GOLA LEAGUE: Altrincham v Runcorn; Kidderminster v Bath; Northwich v Worcester.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Horwich v Burton; Hyde v Worksop.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Cup, first round: Chelmsford v Gravesend; Corby v Shepshed; Hednesford v Sutton Coldfield; Leicester v V. S. Rugby; Poole v Salisbury; Waterlooville v Fareham.

CENTRAL LEAGUE: Second division: Wolverhampton v Wigan (7.0).

FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Fulham v Southampton (2.0).

FA YOUTH CUP: First qualifying round: Halifax v Scunthorpe.

SOUTH-EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE: Cambridge United v Millwall.

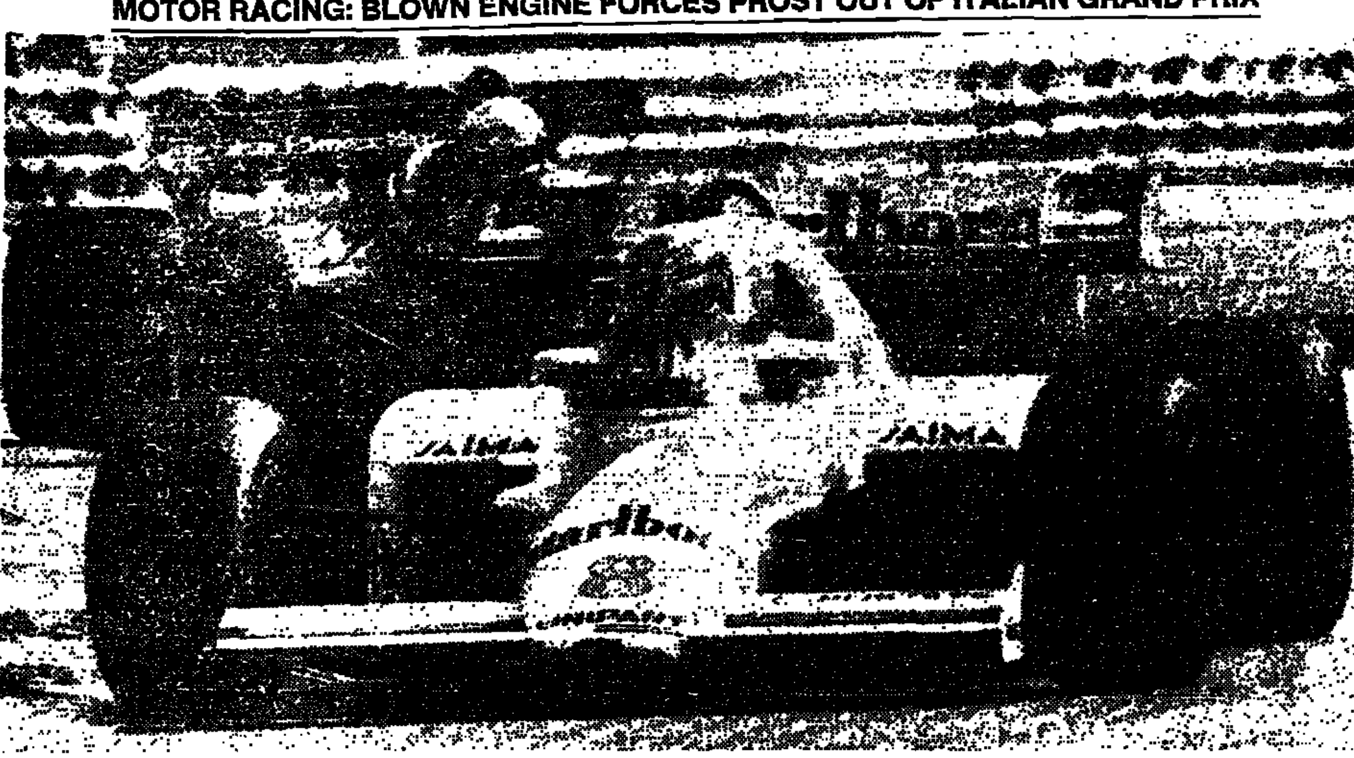
RUGBY UNION

REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: South of Scotland v Durham (Selkirk)

OTHER SPORT

GOLF: Services championships (Royal St. George's, Sandwich).

MOTOR RACING: BLOWN ENGINE FORCES PROST OUT OF ITALIAN GRAND PRIX



Racing to success: Lauda on his way to victory at Monza

Lucky Lauda tightens grip on title

From John Blunsden, Monza

Niki Lauda moved an important step closer to his third world championship yesterday when he won the Italian Grand Prix after his Marlboro McLaren team colleague Alain Prost – the only other challenger for the title – retired with a blown engine. Lauda now holds a margin of 10½ points over Prost with two races remaining, and a good result on the new Nurburgring in four weeks' time could enable him to achieve his objective of entering the final race in Portugal with the crown already in safe custody.

Yesterday's result was far more than he could reasonably have hoped for 24 hours earlier. During a practice session he displaced a bone in his back through movement in the cockpit and returned to the pits in excruciating pain. Excellent work by his masseur, Willi Dungl, helped to relieve the problem and he drove the race tightly bandaged and with special padding added to his moulded seat to prevent any possibility of sideways movement. When you win it never hurts quite as much.

It was a gruelling race for several other drivers as well, and only seven of the 25 who lined up for the start were still running at the end. Manfred Winkelhock was a last-minute withdrawal because of gear-linkage problems on his ATS.

Nelson Piquet, who had put his Brabham-BMW on pole position, led for the first 15 laps before his engine expired, whereupon Patrick Tambay, who had been given the job of "hare" by the Renault team and was running his engine with high boost, took over the race leadership. Teo Fabi, in the second Brabham, made Tambay fight all the way to retain his lead, but on lap 40 Fabi took to third behind Lauda and four laps later his engine also gave up the fight. Almost simultaneously Lauda applied pressure on Tambay, who had been having increasing trouble pressing his accelerator, came to a halt when the linkage broke. Earlier Derek Warwick had been forced to abandon his Renault at the trackside as its engine began to fail.

Ferrari, who suffered ignition problems on both of their latest cars, switched René Arnoux and Michele Alboreto back to the earlier and slower models and began the race with slim hopes. But although Arnoux abandoned with transmission trouble, Alboreto came through strongly to become the only other driver on the same lap as Lauda at the finish.

Riccardo Patrese's third place was the best result this season for Alfa Romeo, but Eddie Cheever's car came to rest shortly before the finish – another victim of engine trouble.

Stefan Johansson, the Toleman team's new recruit, worried them considerably when he misjudged his start and took off 50 yards behind the field, but afterwards he drove a magical race and would have finished third had he not been forced to make a pit stop with a seizing drive shaft joint. He was told to carry on and drive slowly and the ploy worked – the joint seized completely as he crossed the line in fourth place. The rash of retirements among the leading contenders enabled Jo Gartner to claim fifth place with his Osella-Alfa Romeo, the sixth place went to Gerhard Berger in the second ATS which throughout the weekend had been better prepared than Winkelhock's supposedly number one car.

Keke Rosberg and Jacques Laffite retired early on with a repeat of the piston problems their Honda engines had suffered in practice, while Nigel Mansell's Lotus ended up in the sand after the car swopped ends as he braked for one of the chicanes.

It has been said by McLaren for some time that luck will decide the world championships this year. Both their drivers ran short of it on race morning when their engines proved suspect. Lauda's was changed, while Prost took the team's only spare car with another fresh engine. This time the luck was with Lauda.

ITALIAN GRAND PRIX: [illegible]

RACING: ALL ALONG NOT CERTAIN TO RUN AGAIN

Alleging to lead off Cecil double

By Mandarin

Henry Cecil and Lester Piggott, who failed to get in a blow with Adonijah in Saturday's Phoenix Champion Stakes in Ireland, look set for a double Windsor this afternoon with Alleging and Tamino.

Last winter ALLEGING was being mooted as a Derby prospect after impressive victories in his only two races as a juvenile. However, the Alleged colt showed himself to be just short of classic standard in three of the early-season Derby trials and his trainer put him away for a well-earned rest.

Alleging's last public appearance was a third behind Blum in the predominate Stakes at Goodwood in May, but he has been showing plenty of enthusiasm in recent home gallops and is fancied to get off the mark for the season in today's Winter Hill Stakes.

Dick Hern's Longboat must be regarded as a big danger after his sparkling victory over Kirmann in the mile and a half Alycidon Stakes at Goodwood. Earlier the West Ilsley-trained colt had finished a gallant runner-up to Lauchura in the Mayland Brewery Trophy at Newbury, run over 13 furlongs.

This promising stayer might find Windsor's 10 furlongs a little on the sharp side today, and for that reason Alleging is preferred.

His stable companion TAMINO who has already proved himself over today's course and distance with a win over Bara Sidy last month, is napped to complete a treble in the Bracknell Stakes. This lightly-raced three-year-old, owned by Lord Howard de Walden should be able to concede 3lb to Guy Harwood's representative, Innes House, who opened her account at Epsom's August Bank Holiday meeting.

The Warren Place stable are also strongly represented at today's other Flat meeting, Nottingham, where Paul Eddery rides El Hakim and Arrow to Heaven.

El Hakim, who runs in the Final Scores Stakes, has only recently come back into strong work after breaking down when just failing to hold Seismic Wave at Doncaster a year ago. This three-year-old could be a force to be reckoned with this autumn, but on a point of fitness the Olivier Douieb-trained Parliament may have the edge.

Parliament competed in Ireland last season – his best effort was a third in the Irish 2,000 Guineas – and if he is in a cooperative mood should be up to landing this modest prize.

Cecil often favours Nottingham to introduce his highly regarded two-year-olds and he brings out another speedy youngster Arrow To Heaven in the first division of the Derilium Stakes. This filly has been the subject of some glowing reports from the gallops and is strongly fancied to go in at the first time of asking.

The second division of this event may go to the John Dunlop-trained Dame du Moulin, who was a creditable third behind another flying Cecil filly, Oh So Sharp, last month, over today's course and distance.

● The five-year-old Majesty's Prince won the $312,000 Man O' War stakes for the second time at the Belmont Park race course, New York, yesterday.

Courageous Lear Fan finds it heavy going against Mendez

From Desmond Stoneham, Paris

Lear Fan made a gallant attempt to win the second group one race in France in the space of three weeks in yesterday's Prix du Moulin de Longchamp, but was beaten half a length by the French colt, Mendez.

Most of the runners in the one mile Moulin hated the ground, which had become testing after recent heavy rain. The early pace was cut out by Acarwhite, but Greville Starkey was never far away on Lear Fan. As soon as the field turned into the straight Lear Fan raced into the lead, but was soon joined by Mendez.

This pair had a battle royal to the post, with Mendez narrowly having the upper hand at the line. Meis El-Reem, the other English-trained challenger, made excellent progress to finish a short head away in third place and then came Vacarme, Speedy Girl and Siberian Express.

At the recent Deauville sales, Mendez's half sister called Miss Shirley was knocked down to Shaikh Mohammed for 7.6m francs (£661,000). François Boutin will next run Mendez in the Prix de la Forêt at the end of October.

Lear Fan had never raced on soft ground previously and Greville Stakey's post race remark was: "We just floated during the last two furloughs." Alain Lequeux thought that Meis El-Reem was another unsuited by the underfoot condition. Lear Fan will probably go for the Queen Elizabeth II Stakes at Ascot and then the Breeders Cup, while Meis El-Reem comes back for the Forêt.

Cariellor and Sagace galloped their way into the Arc de Triomphe picture by winning their respective trials yesterday afternoon.

There was also news of Daniel Wildenstein's brilliant mare, All Along, who was withdrawn from the Prix Foy. Patrick Biancone said: "I will run her when I am 100 per cent certain she will win. She will work tomorrow and then could go for the Prix du Prince d'Orange and then could go for the Turf Classic. If I am not sure of success with All Along there I would not want to run her again, although I would be desperately disappointed."

Darshaan was the 25-2 on favourite for the Prix Niel, but he shortened his stride dramatically in the closing stages and was finally defeated two lengths and a nose by Cariellor and Long Mick.

However, the Niel was not a good test as Darshaan's pacemaker, Ajarann, failed to do his job, making the 12 furlong event into a sprint. Alain de Royer-Dupre said of Darshaan: "I let him completely down after the King George. He needed today's race and is still on course for the Arc."

Sagace, who sustained a fracture when second to Romildo in the Ganay, trotted up in the Prix Foy from his stable companion, Castle Guard, who showed great courage to beat such notable animals as Garde Royale, Romildo and Luth Enchantee. Sagace had his race won from a furlong and half out and Yves Saint-Martin made no effort to push the horse out. Biancone said after the race "That was fantastic – just look for yourself. We have not yet seen a horse which will beat Sagace in the Arc."





Cash Asmussen (left) and François Boutin, jockey and trainer of Mendez, winner of yesterday's *Prix du Moulin*

Details from Longchamp yesterday

GOING: very soft

PRIX NIEL (group III: 7-y-o: c & f: 1m 4f) 1, CARIELLOR (F Head); 2, Long Mick (C Asmussen); 3, Darshaan (Y Saint-Martin). ALSO RAN: Une Folle (4th), Gus Merson (5th), Ajarann. 6 ran. 2l, nose, 3l, ¾l, nk. A Fabre. PARI-MUTUEL Win: 3.30. Places: 2.70, 4.40. CSF. 12.20. 2m 41sec.

PRIX DU MOULIN LONGCHAMP (group I: £37,129: 1m) 1, MENDEZ (C Asmussen); 2, Lear Fan (G Starkey); 3, Meis El-reem (A Lequeux). ALSO RAN: Vacarme (4th), Speedy Girl (5th), Siberian Express (6th), Acarwhite. 7 ran. ½l, sh hd, 2½l, 4l, 3l, 15l. F Boutin. PARI-MUTUEL Win: 4.50. Places: 1.60, 1.20. CSF: 13.40 1m 43.4sec

PRIX FOY (group III: £13,201: 1m 4f) 1, SAGACE (Y Saint-Martin); 2, Castle Guard (E Legrix), 3, Garde Royale (G Dubroeucq). ALSO RAN: Romildo (4th), Luth Enchantee (5th), Campero (6th), Marie de Litz. 7 ran 1½l, 1l, 5l, 1½l, 10l. P-L Biancone. PARI-MUTUEL Win: 1.90 (coupled with Castle Guard). Places: 1.60, 9.90. SF 85.10 2m 38.4sec.

O'Brien colt in Champion finale

From Our Irish Correspondent, Dublin

Robert Sangster's Sadler's Wells will be retired to stud at the end of the current season and take up the stallion box at Coolmore left vacant by the premature death earlier this summer of Mr Sangster's Derby winner Golden Fleece.

The new occupant may not quite match the brilliance of the ill-fated Golden Fleece but he is altogether a much more rugged and tough individual who has maintained his form astonishingly well in eight races in three different countries over distances varying from seven furlongs up to one and a half miles.

He needed all of his courage to see him through the first running of the Phoenix Champion Stakes over 10 furlongs at the Phoenix Park on Saturday. Princess Pati, who had made all the running to win the Irish Oaks on her precious appearance in July, set off in front again and she rounded the top bend several lengths clear of Sadler's Wells.

There was little change in the order as they rounded the final turn and faced up to the four furlong finishing stretch. Gradually Sadler's Wells began to close the gap with Princess Pati and getting on terms with her below the distance took the lead.

However no sooner had he done so then a new challenger materialised with the Frencg colt Seattle Song coming with a smooth run on *the outside. One hundred and fifty* yards out the pair were virtually in a line but Sadler's Wells pulled out the extra bit of speed to repeal the French challenge on go on to win by threequarters of a length.

Princess Pati stayed on well to be another one and a half lengths behind in third place with Desirable fourth.

The result was one much appreciated by the sponsors for this the richest race ever run in Ireland derived its prize fund from Mr Sangster (£100,000), Mr Stavros Niarchos (£100,000) and Coolmore Stud (£50,000). Mr Niarchos, apart from owning the runner-up also has a share in Sadler's Wells' who will make his farewell appearance in the Champion Stakes at Newmarket. In confirming this Vincent O'Brien *stated that El Gran Senor will not* run again this season.

Seattle Song will take on Sadler's Wells again in the Champion, while Princess Pati she quoted by William Hill at *20-1 for the Prix de l'Arc de* Triomphe and her trainer, Con Collins, believes that the extra quarter mile at Longchamp will be in favour.

The flop of the race was Tolomeo who trailed in a modest seventh and was never in a dangerous position.

English two-year old form was advertised in the Goff's Silver Flash Fillies Stakes when Cameroun, *trained* by Ray Laing, proved too good for the 50-1 outsider Breezing In. Cameroun, bought as a yearling at Goff's premier sales for 20,000 guineas, won at Newmarket and Kempton in the early part of the season and was third to Hi-Tech Girl in the Queen Mary Stakes at Royal Ascot.

The major disappointment for the locals was the poor showing here *of Periferique* who after the race was foud to be coughing.

There was also an initial setback for the Sangster-O'Brien parternership when Exhibitioner having recovered from a very slow start in *the Kinderhill Maiden* to win by a short head from Altos De Chavon had the race taken away from him by the stewards.

ATHLETICS

Cram runs from one storm into another

By Pat Butcher

Steve Cram flew in the face of a gale force wind *yesterday, beating* John Walker in the mile in the Jarrow meeting he himself organized to win his last domestic track race of the season in 3min 57.76sec.

Cram leaves for a short tour of the Far East with a British team this morning, hoping that his last two races will provide a successful buffer to the ill wind that has been blowing in his face throughout most of this *season.*

Injuries marred his Olympic preparation and then there has the public argument with Dave Bedford, one of the International Athletes' Club organizers of last Friday's *Coca Cola* meeting *in* which Cram was pressured into racing Said Aouita of Morocco, who won the mile after Cram fell on the final lap.

Cram had wanted to run an 800 metres as a prelude to Jarrow, but he was asked to switch events by Bedford, who obviously believed that the end-of-season meeting involving tired athletes would lack lustre *for the capacity crowd.* Cram said that if he had been consulted directly he would probably have agreed straight away, but that Bedford had contacted intermediaries, presumably Cram's agent, saying (which Bedford denies) that *Cram* would not *get* appearance money unless he ran the mile.

The reasons for this distasteful episode can be traced back to IAC displeasure with Andy Norman, the England team manager, who helps Cram find races in Europe. Two months ago the IAC withdrew from the television package being negotiated by Norman, and are to negotiate themselves with ITV who *won the new contract. There then* followed another fall-out in Rome last week, at the meeting of independent promoters whose events are to be included in next year's IAAF Grand Prix Circuit.

Bedford and *Derek Johnson,* the driving force behind the IAC, arrived in Rome to discover pressure being put on Norman to drop the Coca Cola meeting from the Grand Prix circuit, since there was already one meeting in Britain – the Talbot Games, which Norman promotes – on the programme of 15 meetings.

After a dispute Norman withdrew *as their spokesman,* and Johnson and Bedford succeeded in keeping their meeting on next year's circuit.

But then Norman was dragged into the argument with Cram, and resigned.

HOCKEY

Hampshire's run ended

By Sydney Friskin

Hampshire and Cheshire emerged from the counties tournament which ended at Southampton yesterday with *honours even,* each side having won three matches. At the end of the day, it was announced that Chris Kirkham was to be the new captain of Hampshire.

Hampshire had a lean season in *the last county championship, when* they lost to both Surrey and Middlesex and just managed to beat Oxfordshire in the Southern Division. This year, they have concentrated on young players, *notably Leech and d'Mello.*

Hampshire's chances of coming through yesterday with a 100 per cent record were ruined when they lost 3-2 to Cheshire.

Hampshire dominated play for the first 20 minutes, *before Cheshire* scored from their first move of consequence through Jones. Cheshire went 2-0 ahead early in the second half from a short corner converted by peters, but Hampshire reduced the lead soon afterwards from a lucky deflection

Hastings levelled the score but Greene won the match with a late goal.

London Indians, the most talented side in the tournament were reinforced yesterday by Bhaura from the victory over Hertfordshire.

Sussex finished on top at *Eastbourne, having won all four* matches, in which they scored 13 goals and conceded five.

SOUTHAMPTON: Counties tournament: Saturday: Hampshire 2, Hampshire A 0; Warwickshire 1, London Indians 1; Gloucestershire 3; Hampshire 2, Warwickshire 0; Cheshire 2, Hertfordshire1. Sunday: Cheshire 0, London Indians 1; Hertfordshire 1, Warwickshire 1; Hampshire 4, Gloucestershire 0; Hampshire A 2, Hampshire under-21 0; Hampshire A 3, Oxfordshire under-21 1; London Indians, Hertfordshire 0; Hampshire 2, Cheshire 3; Gloucestershire 1, Warwickshire 1. *EASTBOURNE: Saturday:* Sussex 5, Essex 2; Devon 1, Norfolk 1; Surrey 3, Royal Navy 1; Surrey 1, Sussex 2; Derbyshire 1, Surrey 3; Royal Navy 1, Suffolk 6; Essex 2, Devon 3. Sunday: Devon 0, Suffolk 1; Royal Navy 0, Norfolk 5; Sussex 4, Derbyshire 1; Surrey 1, Essex 0; Surrey 0, Norfolk 3; Derbyshire 0, Devon 1; Essex 3, Royal Navy 1; Suffolk 1, Sussex 2.

POLO

Five goals by Cudmore

By John Watson

In a league match for the *European Academy tournament.* Mr and Mrs Simon Tomlinson's Los Locos defeated Windsor Park 9-4 at Smith's Lawn, Windsor, yesterday.

The home team's handicap aggregated 15, in contrast to Los Locos' 12. But Los Locos proved considerabley stronger in terms of cohension. The Tomlinsons have found a powerful back in the 26-year-old Australian, Bob Cudmore, *who scored five goals for them and* is clearly under-handicapped at three. Their No 1, Chris Courage, who rides useful ponies of his own, also looks under-handicapped.

Windsor Park were leading 3-2 by the end of the *second chukka,* but declined The scond duel of the afternoon, a league C match between the Horswells' team, Sladmore, and Los Andes, who are put together by the Chilean player, Ricardo Massu, resulted in a 3-3 draw, but in the handicap section of the tournament Los Andes won

Goals from each of the Horswell brothers kept Sladmore ahead until the last chukka. However, Los Andes' formidable Colombian forward, Antonio Galvan, found the Sladmore flags twice from 60-yard penalty shots and once from a beautiful dribble from the open.

LOS LOCOS: 1, C Courage (1); 2, S Tomlinson (4); 3, C Tomlinson (4); back, R Cudmore (3).
WINDSOR PARK: 1, B Morrison (2); 2, Prince of Wales (4); 3, M Brown (5); back, R Ferguson (4).
LOS ANDES: 1, R Massu (0); 2, A Galvan (6); 3, Major D Wood (3); back, Lord R Innes Kerr (2).
SLADMORE: 1, D Pearl (2); 2, E Horswell (3); 3, J Horswell (6); back, W Glennie (1).

EQUESTRIANISM

Crowning glory for Miss Holgate

By Jenny MacArthur

Virginia Holgate, the Olympic bronze *individual medal* winner, yesterday crowned the most glorious year of her career by becoming the first person to win the Burghley Horse Trials, sponsored by Remy Martin twice in succession.

In one of the closest ever finishes to the three-day-event, Miss Holgate, riding British National Life Assurance's Night Cap, held off a fine challenge fom the dual Burghley *winner Lorna Clarke, on Danville,* who finished runner-up. Elizabeth Burbrick on the eight-year-old the Grousebeater took third place less than one point behind Mrs Clarke.

Miss Holgate's winning round had the spectators gasping – she *hit* the first part of the double hard but the pole rolled back into place. "I'm embarrassed at how badly I rode him" the self-effacing Miss Holgate said afterwards. She also laid the blame for a bad error across country firmly at her own feet. The moment came at fence 26, the Flight Butts which she tried to bounce but Nightcap put in an extra step almost *falling through the second part* and it was only a rider of Miss Holgate's undoubted brilliance who could have stayed in the saddle. "Nightcap gor me out of trouble yet again" was Miss Holgate's comment.

Lucinda Green, lying seventh on Shannagh after the crosscountry in which she incurred 7.6 time faults, put the pressure on the top six with a clear round in the show jumping. Richard Meade then had one fence down on Milton General to drop down to seventh place.

Fourth from last to go was Mrs Purbrick, who had a good reason for wanting to do well. Her husband Colonel Reggie Purbrick had given *her a "dressing-down" following her* poor performance at Locko Horse Trials last month. Col Purbrick commands the 17th/21st Lancers in West Germany, Locko Horse Trials happened to be televised to the British forces out there.

In Mrs Purbrick's words "He watched my disastrous performance and rang me up in England to say if I couldn't do better than that I'd *better give up riding and come over* to Germany to be the Colonel's wife." It was evidently quite a threat judging from the fine manner in which she flew round both the cross-country and the show-jumping.

Her clear round in the latter put the pressure on the top three riders who could not afford to have a fence down. First came the popular Mrs Clarke, one of the champions of the sport who deserves a medal for the sheer effort expended ub trying to get round the cross-country within the time – she gained 1.6 time penalties. She and Danville made no mistake in the show jumping but *Miss Orchard* dropped from second to fifth place on Venture Busby after knocking down Fence 9. Miss Holgate then produced her nerve-racking but faultless round to secure the Trophy.

Saturday's cross-country course had once again ridden less easily than expected 16 out 62 starters were retired or eliminated.

Results: 1, Night Cap (V Holgate) 35.25; 2, Danville (L Clarke) 38.80; 3, The Grousebeater (E Purbrick) 39.45; 4, Aloaf (R Hunt) 41.40; 5, Venture Busby (M Orchard) 43.55; 6, Shannagh (L Green) 45.10; 7, Milton Genral (R Meade) 47.35; 8, The apostle (E De Haan) 53.80; 9, The Dark Imp (M Lucey) 57.90; 10, Pomeroy (R Powell) 63.70.

YACHTING

French design outsmarts all her rivals

By Barry Pickthall

Comte de Flandre, the Philippe Briant design skippered by French sailmaker Joe Seeten, won the world quarter ton cup at Nieuport, Belgium, after scoring a fine win in the final off shore race which *finished* on Saturday.

Howard Sellers and his crew aboard the leading British boat Hannah who had been placed third in the overall standings for the start *of this 180 mile race across the* North Sea to Harwich and back, dropped to fifth overall after crossing the line ninth in this double points scoring final race. Pacifist, skippered by Duncan Peace, the only other British boat to start this final race, retired after running out of wind.

The victorious French crew and their lightweight design dominated this storm ridden series *throughout,* winning each of the four races, often by such wide margins it was hard to believe they were in the same class as their rivals.

The most potent aspect of this design was its speed off the wind which proved to be 10 per cent faster than any other boat in the fleet.

RESULTS: Long off shore race: 1, Comte de Flandre (J Seeton, Fr); 2, Dear Henri (J Migom, Belg); 3, Ramonalysa (J Ramon, Fr); 4, Maedchen (D Horst, WG); 5, Duke (M Muracchioli, It). British placings: 9, Hannah (D Sellers); Pacifist retired; Odd Job (P Morton) did not sail.
Overall: 1, Comte de Flandre; 2, Ramonalysa; 3, Castars (G Anrys, Belg); 4, Dear Henri; 5, Hannah.
Other British overall: 17, Odd Job, (P Morton); 18, Pacifist.

Germans lead with three boats in top 11

From A Special Correspondent
Porto Cervo

West Germany moved into the lead in the Sadinia Cup by placing her three boats in the top 11 in Saturday's second inshore race. The 25-knot sea breeze which filled in after a two-hour postponement produced a fast race, favouring the bigger boats.

No other team could match the consistency of the West German Judel and Vrolijk 43-foot sister ships, Willi Illbruck's Pinta, Udo Schutz's Container and Hans Otto Schumann's Rubin.

American chances of building on Scaramouche's first place were *dashed when Allegiance lost the top* five feet of her mast. She attempted to cross Red Rock IV (Argentina) on port tack but the latter forced her right of way and pulled out Allegiance's backstay with her pulpit. Allegiance's crew repaired the mast overnight.

With only one competing boat in their team, the British have slumped to equal fourteenth with Denmark.

THIRD RACE: 1, Scaramouche (J Betts, US); 2, Bla Carat (G Ekdahl, Swe); 3, Pinta (W Illbruck, WG); 4, Container (U Libor, WG); 5, Nitissina (J McWilliam, Ire); 6, Bribon IV (A Guasch, Sp). British placings: 28, Panda (P Whipp); 34, Constance of Lymington (C Martin); 45, Ultimatum (J Lewis). Individual placings (after three races): 1, Container; 2, Pinta; 3, Scaramouche; 4, Brava (P Landolfi, It); 5, Passion II (P Briand, Fr), 6, Nitissina. Teams: 1, West Germany, 391.00pts; 2, Italy 359.50; 3, Ireland 345.25; 4, France 335.38; 5, Spain, 325.00; 6, United States, 312.75; 7, Netherlands 259.50; 8, Switzerland, 212.50; 9, Sweden, 212; 10, Papua New Guinea, 208.50; 11, Luxembourg, 176.50; 12, Belgium/Greece 173. 13, Argentina, 161; equal 14, Britain and Denmark, 159; 16, Austria, 151.50.

WINDSOR

GOING: good to firm
Draw: high numbers best

2.45 POTENTIAL STAYERS STAKES (2-y-o: £684: 6f) (9 runners)

1	03	FARLEY HILL (J Horgan) R Hannon 8-11	A McGlone	2
3	002	FOREST GREEN (Sir Rex Cohen) J Dunlop 8-11	B Rouse	8
4	03	ISCARIOT (P Nelson) G Hunter 8-11	G Starkey	9
5		MASKEEN (Dana Stud Ltd) G Huffer 8-11	M Miller	7
6		REAR ADMIRAL (R Hollingsworth) W Hern 8-11	W Carson	1
8	000	BOURBON QUEEN (W Kelly) M Blanshard 8-8	J Reid	5
10		LOOSETRIFE (Mrs B Maynard) P Walwyn 8-8	J Mercer	3
12		RIVABRELLA (S Wong) B Hanbury 8-8	T Ives	6
13	400	SHELLEY MARIE (Mrs B Taylor) S Mellor 8-8	M Wigham	4

1983: View 8-8 L Piggott (9-4) B Hanbury 8 ran.

11-8 Rear Admiral, 7-2 Forest Green, 5 Rivabrella, 7 Bourbon Queen, Farley Hill, 10 *Loosetrife,* 14 Iscariot, 15 others.

FORM: FARLEY HILL (8-11) 3rd beaten 1¾l to Golden Beau (9-1) 6 ran. Epsom 7f stks good Aug 28. FOREST GREEN (9-0) 2nd beaten 2l to Bakou (8-9) 9 ran. Brighton mdn stks good Aug 7. ISCARIOT (9-0) 3rd beaten 5l to Mirmiran (9-0) 4 ran. Nottingham 6f mdn stks hard July 30. BOURBON QUEEN (8-6) 5th beaten 3l to Koffi (9-0) 21 ran. Newmarket 7f mdn stks good to firm Aug 24. SHELLEY MARIE (8-11) 7th beaten 12½l to Cameroun (8-11) 8 ran. Kempton 5f mdn stks *firm Apr 23.*
Selection: BOURBON QUEEN

Windsor selections

By Mandarin
2.45 Rear Admiral. 3.15 *Highwood Pricess.* 3.45 Ilfet. 4.15 Alleging. 4.45 Sharp And Ready. 5.15 TAMINO (nap).

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.45 Maskeen. 3.15 Harvest Princess. 3.45 Ilfet. 4.15 Alleging. 4.45 Clunk Click. 4.15 Tamino.

3.15 BELMEAD SELLING HANDICAP (3-y-o: £863: 6f) (15)

1	0-00000	BOLD BLAIZE (D O'Callaghan) S Mathews 9-7	–	8
2	0044	HIGHWOOD PRINCESS (A Mansfield) G Balding 9-6	J Kennedy 7	11
4	001423	MOHAR (B) (D Ahier) P Makin 9-5	G Baxter	1
5	4-40000	AL-ASTAKA (B) (N Goodier) M McCormack 9-4	L Piggott	7
8	012000	ROYAL ACADEMY ARMS (D) (Brian Gubby Ltd) B Gubby 9-2	G Starkey	15
9	400003	HARVEST PRINCESS (Swift Racing Services) R J Williams 9-1	David Eddery 7	12
10	0-00000	SNATCH BACK (B) (S Strong) R Baker 8-13	J Reid	3
11	0-004	SKIATHOS (G Clark) M Tompkins 8-13	R Curant	14
12	400-000	SAM PETE (Hargreaves Vending) K Cunningham-Brown 8-13	J Johnson	13
15	0-00000	GREEN POOL (Mrs E Blyth) P Burgoyne 8-11	M Wigham	2
17	003000	GREEK BANKER (J Wheeler) L Holt 8-10	P Waldron	5
18	000	GEMGEM (H Richardson) C Spares 8-10	–	9
20	00-000	DUTY PAID (B) (Mrs V McKinney) H Collingridge 8-8	–	10
21	0-00000	SOUNDS BEAUTIFUL (M Steward) G Blum 8-5	B Raymond	6
24	03-0000	DUBREE (B) (T Nicholls) D Jermy 8-1	G Dickie 7	4

1983: Whitewalls 9-2 R Curant (7-2) D Garraton 14 ran.

11-4 Mohar, 4 Harvest Princess, Al Astaka, 9-2 Royal Academy Arms, 7 Snatch Back, 10 Highwood Princess, Skiathos, 14 Greek Banker, 16 others.

FORM: HIGHWOOD PRINCESS (8-11) 4th beaten 4½l to Idenbcar (9-0) 5 ran. Brighton 6f mdn stks firm Aug 30. MOHAR (9-5) 3rd beaten 3½l to Video Lad (8-0) 15 ran. Newmarket 7f sell h'cap good to firm Aug 24. HARVEST PRINCESS (9-4) 3rd beaten 2¼l to Lafrowda (8-10) 10 ran. Windsor 6f sell h'cap good to firm Aug 13. SKIATHOS (8-3) 4th beaten 7½l to Air Strike (7-13) 9 ran. Leicester 6f sell stks good May 29. GREEN BANKER (7-8) 9th beaten 5½l, to My Louie (9-4) 15 ran. Windsor 5f app'ce h'cap good to firm Aug 20.
Selection: GREEN BANKER

3.45 RUSSELL NURSERY HANDICAP (2-y-o: £1,561: 5f) (16)

4	01403	TRULY GREAT (D) (S Oon) R Smyth 9-7	G Starkey	3
5	1102	HONING BAY (D) (P Goulandris) P Walwyn 9-6	J Mercer	13
6	01220	JACKIE BLAIR (D) (Jack Blair Ltd) P Haynes 9-5	L Jones 7	11
7	0133400	CRONK'S IMAGE (D) (Cronk Garages Ltd) B Swift 9-5	J Reid	2
8	4312	ILFET (CD)(BF) (K Al-Said) J Hindley 9-3	M Hills	4
11	443100	PETOIRE (B)(D) (R McAuley) B Hanbury 8-13	B Raymond	14
12	04013	RECORD GIFT (D)(BF) (S Wong) B Hanbury 8-12	L Piggott	12
13	413203	SUSANGUS (D) (P Ashmore) W O'Gorman 8-11	T Ives	7
14	3243	SARDAR (Mrs K Brassey) K Brassey 8-8	R Hills	9
17	0210	DUCK FLIGHT (D) (R Dunsdon) J Douglas-Home 8-4	B Rouse	16
20	004	RAPID GLORY (A Scarfe) R Baker 8-1	A McGlone	8
21	004	RIVERSIDE WRITER (S Mason) N Vigors 8-1	W Carson	1
24	212042	MAJOR'S REVIEW (D) (J Watson) M McCourt 7-13	N Howe	10
25	0400	CAVERSHAM (B) (W Gams) M Blanshard 7-13	N Adams 5	5
27	000001	IDLE TIMES (B) (Mrs S Rowe) G Blum 7-10	R Fox	15
30	04223	RACINE CITY (BF) (Mrs M Hardey) R Hannon 7-7	R Street	6

1983: Twice Fragrant 8-2 B Rouse (8-1) N Callaghan 11 ran.

9-2 Honing Bay, 5 Ilfet, 6 Record Gift, 13-2 Rapid Glory, Majors Review, 10 Susangus, 12 Riverside Writer, 14 Petoire, Cronks Image, 16 others.

FORM: TRULY GREAT (9-7) 3rd beaten 8l to Dance By Night (8-4) 8 ran. Brighton 7f h'cap good Aug 7. HONING BAY (9-7) 2nd beaten sh hd to Melodious Miss (8-2) 6 ran. Chepstow 5f h'cap hard Aug 27. JACKIE BLAIR (8-8) 5th beaten 22½l to Provideo (9-4) 5 ran. Sandown 5f stks good to firm July 26. ILFET (9-1) 2nd beaten 1½l to Boarding House (8-7) 7 ran. Chester 5f h'cap good to firm Aug 31. RECORD GIFT (8-11) 3rd beaten 2½l to Hobournes Rose (8-1) 11 ran. Beverley 5f stks good to firm Aug 30. SUSANGUS (8-1) 3rd beaten 7l to Kellys Royale (8-7) 4 ran. Sandown 5f h'cap good to firm Aug 31. SARDAR (8-2) 3rd beaten 2l to Kip (9-1) 7 ran. Windsor 6f h'cap good *to firm Aug 20.* DUCK FLIGHT (8-11) not in first 10 to Dr Naeem (8-11) 19 ran. Bath 5f 167yd stks good June 4. MAJORS REVIEW (8-11) 2nd beaten sh hd to Navarro Secondo (8-6) 11 ran. Ripon 5f sell stks good to firm Aug 18. IDLE TIMES (8-8) won 2½l from Red Dole Boy (8-6) 9 ran Yarmouth 5f sell stks good to firm Aug 22. RACINE CITY (8-8) 3rd beaten 2l to Lemon Grove (9-11) 11 ran. Lingfield 5f sell stks good to firm July 13.
Selection: ILFET.

4.15 WINTER HILL STAKES (£3,980: 1m 2f 22yd) (5)

1	0-20000	SOCIETY BOY (R Barnett) H Candy 4-9-6	R Curant	3
7	011131	LONGBOAT (R Hollingsworth) W Hern 4-8-11	W Carson	4
8	20020-0	SO TRUE (Miss B Swire) G Balding 4-8-11	P Waldron	5
9	11-323	ALLEGING (Elisha Holding) H Cecil 3-8-10	L Piggott	1
13	11332-0	CAPTAIN SINGLETON (P Ward) G Harwood 3-8-6	G Starkey	2

1983: (1m 3f 150yd) Millontaine 3-8-6 (G Starkey) 4-9 G Harwood 5 ran.

11-8 Longboat, 13-8 Alleging, 6 So True, 10 Captain Singleton, 25 Society Boy.

FORM: Society Boy (9-13) 9th beaten over 15l to His Honour (9-13) 9 ran. Goodwood 1m 4f h'cap good to firm Aug 4. LONGBOAT (8-2) won 2½l from Kirmann (8-6) 6 ran. Goodwood 1m 4f stks good to firm Aug 4. SO TRUE (9-11) 8th beaten over 16l to Sergeant Drummer (7-11) 8 ran. Newmarket 1m 4f h'cap good Aug 11. ALLEGING (8-11) 3rd beaten 4½l to Blum (8-6) 12 ran Goodwood 1m 4f stks good to soft May 22. CAPTAIN SINGLETON (9-1) 17th beaten over 5l to *King Of Clubs* (8-12) 17 ran. York 1m h'cap good Aug 23.
Selection: ALLEGING.

4.45 ROYAL HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,813: 1m 2f 22yd) (25)

3	0-0000	LADY PRETENDER (J Watson) M McCourt 9-7	R Wernham	3
5	303000	MALISTRANO (J Upson) S Mellor 9-6	M Wigham	8
6	04-4220	LOVE WALKED IN (Whiting Commodities Ltd) W Holden 9-6	M Miller	23
8	000040	MILDRED (B) (W Allen) D Sasse 9-2	T Ives	21
12	310432	SHARP AND READY (Elisha Holding) A Ingham 9-0	L Piggott	25
15	02440	DISCOVER GOLD (P Wheatley) M Jarvis 8-11	B Raymond	10
18	412400	FIRST CRY (H Thomson) N Vigors 8-10	J Reid	12
19	04002	PRINCESS ZENOBIA (M White) P Walwyn 8-9	J Mercer	15
20	303314	PULSATE (BF) (Mrs R Baker) C Benstead 8-9	R Cochrane	5
24	4-00033	CLUNK CLICK (BF) (E Mack) J Hindley 8-8	M Hills	19
25	*014-03*	*SPIV'S RIGHT* (BF) (*Mrs M Carter*) *J Bradley* 8-7	R Fox	22
26	013404	TAMERTOWN LAD (D Steele) C Horgan 8-7	G Starkey	2
27	000000	TURCY BOY (Mr Ali K Al Jafleh) C Benstead 8-7	B Rouse	16
28	102000	FLAME LILY (J Lazzari) R Hannon 8-6	A McGlone	20
32	0-00200	BATTLE DRUM (B) (L Holliday) H Candy 8-5	R Curant	6
33	0-00200	TELE-LINK (Tele-Link Archives Ltd) D Arbuthnot 8-5	R Hills	7
35	00004	MARAMI (Dana Stud Ltd) G Huffer 8-4	G Carter 7	24
36	00000-	HASTY THIEF (B) (S Wong) D Murray Smith 8-4	A Clark	4
37	000	RUSSOLA (R McLoughlin) S Mellor 8-3	N Howe	14
38	000000	LADY OF SHONA (C Line) P Felgate 8-2	–	9
39	0-00	CHEZZY GIRL (P.M.P. Farmers Ltd) S Mellor 8-2	–	1
41	0-00000	TRY TIFFANY (H) (Tedwood Ltd) R Baker 8-2	P Waldron	18
42	000400	ACCLAMATION (N Howley) C Williams 8-1	W Carson	13
46	000000	ASCOT BELLE (A Richards) D Hanley 7-11	NON-RUNNER	
48	00-0240	MISS FELHAM (F Lipscomb) M Hinchcliffe 7-7	D McKay	11

1983: Red Mistrel 9-3-5 S Cauthen (2-1 fav) M McCormack 5 ran.

9-2 Sharp And Ready, 5 Tamertown Lad, 6 Princess Zenobia, 8 Pulsate, Clunk Click, 10 Spiv's Right, First Cry, 12 Discover Gold, 14 Mildred, Malistrano, 16 Love Walked In, Flame Lily, 20 others.

FORM: MALISTRANO (9-10) not in first 9 to Abu Kadra (9-8) 16 ran. Windsor 1m h'cap good to firm Aug 25. LOVE WALKED IN (7-10) 9th beaten over 6l to Insider (8-1) 17 ran. Newmarket 1m 4f app'ce stks good June 30. SHARP AND READY (8-10) 2nd beaten 4l to First Pleasure (8-1) 17 ran. Windsor *1m h'cap* good to firm July 30. DISCOVER GOLD *(9-0) 7th beaten over 14l to Alcinous* (9-0) 8 ran. Folkestone 7f mdn stks firm Aug 14. PRINCESS ZENOBIA (7-12) 9th beaten 13½l to Visible Form (9-5) 13 ran. Salisbury 1m 2f stks good to firm Aug 16. PULSATE (8-4) 4th beaten 6½l to Miss Kuta Beach (9-7) 5 ran. Goodwood 1m 2f h'cap good to firm Aug 24. CLUNK CLINK (8-0) 3rd beaten 4l to Home In Wyoming (7-13) 4 ran. Edinburgh 1m 4f mdn stks good to firm Aug 3. SPIVS RIGHT (8-13) 3rd beaten 4½l to Lady Liza (8-2) 20 ran. Windsor 1m sell h'cap good May 21. TELE-LINK (8-1 4th beatn 3¾l to Whiskey Eyes (8-6) 14 ran. Beverley 1m 2f h'cap firm May 18. MARANI (8-11) 4th baten 6l to Forage (9-0) 9 ran. Ripon 1m 2f mdn stks good to firm Aug 28.
Selection: SHARP AND READY.

5.15 BRACKNELL STAKES (£762: 1m 3f 150yd) (9)

2	03-011	TAMINO (C) (Lord Howard de Walden) H Cecil 3-9-3	L Piggott	4
3	440404-	GASOOF (T Fry) D Ringer 4-9-0	P D'Arcy	5
4	201	INNES HOUSE (B Combs) G Harwood 3-9-0	G Starkey	9
11	0-00	BOLD FISHER (Countess of Lonsdale) G Harwood 3-8-9	A Clark	7
12	*04-0000*	*CAMBRIDGE CIRCUS* (B) (*C Wright*) *D Laing 3-8-9*	R Cochrane	8
15	002-000	FLYING TENDERFOOT (P Powell) D Elsworth 3-8-9	B Rouse	3
19	0-0	MAC'S HUSSAR (Mac's Garage (Weston) Ltd) J Old 3-8-9	–	2
21		TAP TAP TAP (D Wickins) R Akehurst 3-8-9	D Dineley	1
28	0233	RACAMIER (B) (Exors late A Rogers) W Hern 3-8-6	W Carson	6

1983: Karablake 3-9-0 G Starkey (6-5 fav) G Harwood 11 ran.

11-8 Tamino, 9-4 Innes House, 7-2 Racaimer, 12 Cambridge Circus, 20 Gasoof, 25 Flying *Tenderfoot. 33 others.*

FORM: TAMINO (9-4) won 1½l from Bara Sidy (8-11) 9 ran. Windsor 1m 2f stks good to firm Aug 25. INNES HOUSE (8-11) won 2l from Nabil (9-0) 5 ran. Epsom 1m 2f mdn stks good Aug 28 FLYING TENDERFOOT (8-10) 16 ran. Windsor 1m 2f stks good to soft Aug 4. RECAMIER (8-11) 3rd beaten 3l to Innocent Maid (8-11) 11 ran. Chester 1m 2f mdn stks good Sep 1. Bold fisher (9-0) 8th beaten over 32l to Brightner (9-0) 11 ran. Bath 1m 3f mdn stks firm Sep 5.
Selection: TAMINO.

Leaders on the Flat

TRAINERS

	1st	2nd	3rd	Days since win	Level stakes
H Cecil	79	53	30	1	−13.48
G Harwood	69	53	50	0	−74.09
M Stoute	65	51	40	1	−44.22
J Dunlop	57	48	53	7	−100.86
B Hills	50	43	*44*	*0*	−80.04
P Cole	49	37	25	0	+85.62
R Hollinshead	49	40	59	0	−75.30
W Hern	45	38	31	1	−29.50
H T Jones	44	35	30	7	+45.65
R Houghton	39	34	31	1	+26.23
W O'Gorman	*38*	*28*	*21*	*12*	*−29.57*
L Cumani	36	25	16	3	+25.72
P Walwyn	36	33	42	3	−88.74

JOCKEYS

	1st	2nd	3rd	Losing sequence	Level stakes
S Cauthen	111	86	85	4	−18.69
P Eddery	83	64	55	1	−39.62
T Ives	77	89	58	11	−148.40
L Piggott	76	54	56	*0*	−81.37
W Swinburn	74	55	41	8	−38.31
W Carson	64	74	86	4	−115.58
G Duffield	63	74	59	3	−180.47
B Rouse	55	43	64	8	−110.24
J Reid	49	46	46	3	−145.86
P Robinson	48	57	43	10	−103.67
T Quinn	46	31	31	1	+114.11
B Raymond	45	41	51	0	−149.37

Course specialists

WINDSOR

TRAINERS: H Cecil 15 winners from 37 runners, 40.5%; W Hern 15 from 49, 30.6%; G Harwood 23 from 100, 23.0%.

JOCKEYS: L Piggott 29 winners from 128 mounts, 22.7%; G Starkey 34 from 160, 21.3%; T Ives 18 from 111, 16.2%.

NOTTINGHAM

TRAINERS: H Cecil 35 winners from 66 runners, 53.0%; M Stoute 24 from 98, 24.5%; A Jarvis 12 from 68, 17.6%.

JOCKEYS: Pat Eddery 21 winners from 123 mounts, 17.1%; W R Swinburn 20 from 118, 16.9%, G Duffield 18 from 144, 12.5%.

Blinkered first time

WINDSOR: 3.15 Snatch Back, Dubree. 3.45 *Caversham. 4.45 Battle Drum.*

NOTTINGHAM: 2.30 Camden Lock. 3.00 Aston Bank. 3.30 Special Settlement. 4.00 Shared. 5.00 Arbitrage, Pubby, Dick Knight. 5.30 King's Legend, Fairstead Boy.

● Reg Hollinshead, the Staffordshire trainer, is well on the way to his best season, for when Sindos justified favouritism in the Hoylake Handicap at Haydock Park on Saturday it was his 49th winner, leaving him eight short of his best total.



RACING

Petong plays a unique part in Raymond's Haydock benefit

Petong brought off a unique treble when beating Habibti by a short head in the £50,000 group two Vernon's Sprint Cup at Hadock Park on Saturday to add to his Wokingham and Stewards' Cup victories. The victory was the high spot of a 1,319-1 four timer for Bruce Raymond, who had only four rides, and was performing the feat for the fifth time in his career.

"Petong amazes me all the time. He is so absolutely genuine and loves to bounce off the ground." Michael Jarvis, the trainer, said of Tom Warner's home-bred grey, who is likely to run in the Diadem Stakes at Ascot. "He wont run in the Ayr Gold Cup now," Jarvis added.

Last year's winner Habibti, delighted John Dunlop with the way she has returned to her best form and could also go for the Diadem of the Prix de l'Abbaye. She had every chance in the last furlong but Petong, having struck the front about a quarter of amile out refused to be beaten as the pair raced to the line. Never So Bold was only half a length in third place, two lengths agead of the warm favourite Committed.

Committed had a rough passage at halfway and, although the stewards found that both she and Petong had suffered interference from Spark Chief, who made the early running, they deemed it accidental and did not alter the placings.

"After Petong won the Steward Cup the handicapper told me he had improved 23lb since the start of the season and I reckon he'll go up another 7lb now," Jarvis, said. This was the trainer's third Vernon's Cup victory. He also won with Tudor Music in 1969 and Green God in 1971.

Kayudee remains 12-1 favourite for the Cesarewitch despite his half-length defeat by the heavily-backed Symbolic in the Golden Grain Hambleton Cup at Thirsk. Kayudee swept to the front two furlongs out, but the concession of 17lb to Symbolic proved just too much and he was headed inside the final 200 yards.

Symbolic, supported from 11-2 to 7-2 favourite, gave Wendyll Woods, aged 21, his biggest success in Britain. Woods, born in India and the son of a former Champion Irish apprentice, Barney Woods, has been with Symbolic's trainer, Guy Harwood, for nearly four years, and spends the winter riding for his uncle, Lawrence Fownes, in Hong-kong.

Fitzgerald's Vintage Toll has been heavily backed for the Cambridgeshire, the first leg of the autumn double, but there were no clues to his chances at Newmarket in the Lafferty Group Handicap. He could not find a clear passage through to challenge, and finished fifth. Victory went to the course specialist Romoss who races in the colours of Frank Laffery, a Glasgow builder, who sponsored the race.





Bruce Raymond: four winners from four rides

NOTTINGHAM

GOING: firm
Draw: 5f-6f, high numbers best.

2.30 FINAL SCORE STAKES (£1,984: 1m 2f) (5 runners)
9 00-04 PARLIAMENT (BF) O Douieb 4-8-0 ... S Cauthen 3
14 -0010 TACHRYOS (D) L Lightbrown 4-8-11 ... P Robinson 2
15 12- EL HAKIM H Cecil 3-8-10 ... Paul Eddery 1
19 0000 LALLAX M Leach 3-8-7 ... D Nicholls 4
23 0000 CAMDEN LOCK (B) G Lewis 3-7-11 ... M L Thomas 5
1983: Thessaloniki 3-8-7 P Robinson (4-1) C Brittain 5 ran.
Evens Parliament, 8-4 El Hakim, 14 Camden Lock, Lallax, 20 Tachyros.

Nottingham selections
By Mandarin
2.30 Parliament. 3.0 Aston Bank. 3.30 Marlion. 4.0 To Oneiro. 4.30 Arrow To Heaven. 5.0 Pubby. 5.30 Storm Rainbow. 6.0 Dame de Moulin.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent.
2.30 Parliament. 3.0 Aston Bank. 3.30 Pontin Boy. 4.0 To Oneiro. 4.30 Arrow To Heaven. 5.0 Pubby. 5.30 Bantu Warrior. 6.0 Daring Way.

3.0 OYSTER MAID SELLING STAKES (£919: 1m 2f) (8)
1 340-0 MIAMI DOLPHIN O Brennan 4-8-11 ... G Brown 7 2
2 0000- MONTEREEF D Ancil 4-8-11 ... Paul Eddery 8
5 0034 ASTON BANK (B) J Toller 3-8-3 ... P Robinson 6
7 00-00 FULL OF DREAMS R Hobson 3-8-3 ... M Beecroft 1
11 0-000 LINDRICK PASSION G Harman 3-8-3 ... – 4
14 4302 MISTY ROCKET R Stubbs 3-8-3 ... D Nicholls 3
19 0000 SHOWTIME R Whitaker 3-8-3 ... J H Brown 5 7
20 4000 STONEY BOAT INN R Hollinshead 3-8-3 ... W Ryan 3 5
1983: Time For A Laugh 3-8-6 S Perks (7-2) R Hollinshead 7 ran.
9-4 Aston Bank, 11-4 Misty Rocket, 4 Stoney Boat Inn, 5 Miami Dolphin, 8 Showtime, 10 Full Of Dreams, 16 others.

3.30 STRATHSPEY HANDICAP (£2,031: 1m 5f) (17)
5 4201 SILENT DANCER N Vigors 3-9-7 ... G Duffield 5
7 2143 MARLION E Weymes 3-9-4 ... E Guest 5 14
9 0300 PONTIN BOY (B) Thomson Jones 5-9-2 ... A Murray 7
12 0033 TINOCO R Hollinshead 4-9-1 ... S Perks 13
13 4000 CONNAUGHT PRINCE W Hastings-Bass 3-9-0 ... R Guest 6
19 210 HOME IN WYOMING C Thornton 3-8-11 ... J Bleasdale 1
20 0000 BLONDELLO H Candy 5-8-11 ... J Matthias 15
27 3020 AL NASR (B) (CD) C Benstead 6-8-5 ... W R Swinburn 8
28 01 JUBILANT LADY D Chapman 3-8-4 ... D Nicholls 4
30 4320 MIDNIGHT MOUSE (BF) P Cole 4-8-3 ... T Quinn 2
33 0020 SEDGE (BF) P Walwyn 3-8-1 ... Paul Eddery 11
37 4320 SPECIAL SETTLEMENT (CD) G Hunter 3-7-13 ... S Whitworth 5 9
39 000-0 SURPRISE ATTACK E Eldin 3-7-13 ... A Mackay 17
40 0000 EARL'S COURT (CD) C Crossley 5-7-12 ... S Webster 10
46 000/0- SAINTLY LADY M Radden 3-7-10 ... O Gray 12
47 0003 PARAMOUNT J Winter 3-7-10 ... P Bradle 7 16
48 0000 LINDRICK WHITSUN G Harman 3-7-7 ... A Proud 3
1983: Al Nasr 5-9-7 W R Swinburn (7-2 fav) C Benstead 13 ran.
4 Midnight Mouse, 5 Marlion, 6 Silent Dancer, 7 Home In Wyoming, 8 Sedge, 10 Special Settlement, Al Nasr, 12 Tinoco, Blondello, 14 Pontin Boy, Jubilant Lady, 16 others.

4.0 RADCLIFFE APPRENTICE HANDICAP (£1,395: 6f) (18)
6 1300 TO ONEIRO (CD) R Armstrong 3-9-7 ... – 15
13 00-00 MISS REALM D Plant 4-9-2 ... R Fahey 2
14 0400 NO CONTEST (D) D Dale 5-9-1 ... R Carter 5
15 0100 SINGLE HAND D Chapman 4-9-1 ... C Nolan 4 16
16 0000 BROON'S SECRET (CD) A Jarvis 10-9-1 ... T Taylor 4 14
17 4204 CABELLEROS R Hollinshead 4-9-0 ... P Hill 17
23 20/00 SHARAD (B) B Stevens 4-8-12 ... G Landau 8
24 0004- TELHAM H Candy 3-8-12 ... C Rutter 9
25 4300 WELSH NOBLE (D) A Balding 6-8-12 ... M Worrall 4 11
30 4003 DOUSSARD J Tree 3-8-10 ... D Skyrme 4 6
33 0430 H R MICRO (D) M Lambert 8-8-6 ... – 18
34 0000 BLACKPOOL BELLE (D) J Berry 3-8-6 ... A Geran 1
37 0140 HOPEFUL WATERS (CD) J Spearing 4-8-3 ... R Adams 4 12
40 0000- NAHAWAND D Dale 4-8-1 ... R Morse 19
44 0040 BRIANS BRIDGE (D) Miss L Siddall 5-7-7 ... – 3
45 0003 SONG MINSTREL (B) (D) G Harman 5-7-7 ... – 13
46 0003 BROMWICH BOY L Barratt 4-7-7 ... R Lappin 7
47 00-02 LADY REEFIFI J Spearing 3-7-7 ... A Whitehall 4
1983: Tender Trader 4-9-1 J Adams (9-2 jt-fav) G Lewis 15 ran.
5 Doussard, 6 To Oneiro, 8 Hopeful Waters, No Contest, 9 Caballeros, 10 H R Micro, Welsh Noble, Single Hand, 12 Blackpool Belle, Telham, 14 Broon's Secret, Miss Realm, 16 others.

4.30 DERILIUM MAIDEN STAKES (Div I: 2-y-o: £1,350: 6f) (21)
1 0 ABLE MAYBOS G Gaines 9-0 ... D Nicholls 12
4 00 ARMORAD R Houghton 9-0 ... S Cauthen 20
5 CAPTAIN HORNBLOWER T Bill 9-0 ... J Lowe 5
12 00 EASY DAY E Eldin 9-0 ... E Guest 5 1
18 0 FLOMEGAS DAY C Crossley 9-0 ... – 17
22 0 GREAT NORTHERN J Dunlop 9-0 ... B Thomson 4
24 0 HENDERSON BLANKS J Berry 9-0 ... K Darley 16
37 00 MARCH MALLOW D Morley 9-0 ... G Duffield 15
39 02 NIGHT WARRIOR J Mason 9-0 ... NON-RUNNER 14
48 020 STORM HOUSE K Brassey 9-0 ... S Whitworth 5 8
55 AMALINDA B Hanbury 8-11 ... A Murray 7
56 ARROW TO HEAVEN H Cecil 8-11 ... Paul Eddery 19
57 BOCA WEST H Candy 8-11 ... J Matthias 6
69 EXPRESS CAR M Jarvis 8-11 ... M L Thomas 10
72 GAMICHE L Lightbrown 8-11 ... P Robinson 9
74 GREETING CARD M Stoute 8-11 ... W R Swinburn 11
78 00 HOBOURNES GIRL R Hollinshead 8-11 ... S Perks 21
90 RUSTLE OF SILK G Wragg 8-11 ... B Crossley 18
92 SAPPHIRE GIRL P Haslam 8-11 ... G Sexton 3
99 0 STRIKING BALANCE J Dunlop 8-11 ... Pat Eddery 19
101 TIP-TAY F Durr 8-11 ... A Weiss 5 13
1983: Green Gypsy 8-11 W R Swinburn 7-1 B Hanbury 4 ran.
6-4 Arrow To Heaven, 4 Greeting Card, 6 Rustle Of Silk, 7 Striking Balance, Great Northern, 10 Boca West, 12 Amalinda, 14 Storm House, 16 others.

5.00 STEROPE HANDICAP (3-y-o: £2,615: 1m 50yd) (17)
2 2002 BIRDWOOD (B) J Dunlop 9-7 ... B Thomson 14
4 0022 PUBBY (B) (BF) J Tiller 9-1 ... Pat Eddery 17
10 0200 ARBITRAGE (B) J Spearing 8-12 ... P Robinson 16
15 3034 SILVER PROSPECT R Hollinshead 8-11 ... S Perks 2
17 000 ROCKY DOMAIN P Haslam 8-10 ... T Williams 5 11
23 0002 NICE ONE ANDY (B) G Huffer 8-7 ... M Rimmer 13
24 0402 FEI LOONG E Eldin 8-7 ... M L Thomas 12
27 0-001 GOLDBAG M Leach 8-6 ... N Carlisle 1
28 2010 SUNAPA'S OWLET A Jarvis 8-6 ... S Whitworth 5 7
29 4104 TOP RANKER (B) (C) R Stubbs 8-6 ... D Nicholls 6
32 0240 PRINCESS POSSUM P Mitchell 8-5 ... W Ryan 3 5
36 1010 PRONUPTIA BRIDE (BF) D Dale 8-4 (7 ex) ... R Lines 5 4
41 0000 DICK KNIGHT (B) A Bailey 8-2 ... P Bloomfield 3 9
48 3000 GREY CARD D Plant 7-13 ... K Darley 3
50 0044 HIGHEST TENDER (B) K Stone 7-11 ... R Still 10
52 0000 MELISSA CLAIRE C Benstead 7-8 ... B Crossley 8
53 230-0 CIRCUS TRICK D Chapman 7-8 ... S P Griffiths 5 15
1983: Sharp Sea 9-0 G Duffield (10-1) B Hobbs 9 ran.
5 Pronuptia Bride, 6 Sunapa's Owlet, Pubby, 7 Birdwood, Fei Loong, Nice One Andy, 8 Silver Prospect, 10 Princess Possum, 12 Top Ranker, 16 others.

5.30 TULYAR NURSERY HANDICAP (2-y-o: £1,461: 1m 50yd) (14)
3 3220 BANTU WARRIOR F Durr 9-7 ... P Madden 10
4 4010 MORE MY SCENT Thomson Jones 9-6 ... A Murray 2
7 100 KING'S LEGEND (B) S Norton 9-4 ... J Lowe 12
8 1324 BEN'S SURPRISE E Witts 9-2 ... S Cauthen 9
9 040 STORM RAINBOW J Tree 9-2 ... Pat Eddery 8
11 0112 DOUBLE LIMIT (BF) A Jarvis 9-2 (10 ex) ... S Whitworth 5 7
12 3012 KNOCKGLAS (B) (C) (BF) D Morley 9-1 ... G Duffield 4
15 030 FAIRSTEAD BOY (B) E Eldin 8-13 ... A Mackay 13
16 0030 SEA FARER LAKE M Usher 8-11 ... T Williams 5 1
19 0000 SEEB (B) N Callaghan 8-7 ... M L Thomas 14
21 0310 ROYAL OCTAVE (C) B Hanbury 8-6 ... W R Swinburn 6
22 4000 GHIZLAN C Benstead 8-3 ... P Robinson 3
24 2323 ITS MY TURN R Hollinshead 7-13 ... P Hill 7 11
25 4030 LAKE HAMILTON (B) D Handley 7-10 ... W Ryan 3 5
1983: Noblesque 8-12 P Cook (11-8 fav) A Jarvis 9 ran.
11-4 Double Limit, 4 Knockglas, 5 Ben's Surprise, Storm Rainbow, 8 King's Legend, 8 More My Scent, Bantu Warrior, 12 It's My Turn, 14 others.

6.0 DERILIUM MAIDEN STAKES (Div II: 2-y-o: £1,339: 6f) (21)
2 ALAASIF H Thomson Jones 9-0 ... A Murray 5
3 APPLE PIE HILL J Bosley 9-0 ... S Whitworth 5 18
5 0 ATTAIN E Witts 9-0 ... T Williams 5 7
8 30 CHAPMAN H Candy 9-0 ... J Matthias 10
9 4 CLASSIC CAPISTRANO M Prescott 9-0 ... G Duffield 16
11 DERAMIN D Morley 9-0 ... C Nutter 17
13 4 EMPAPAHERO M McCormack 9-0 ... – 8
14 000 ENTABLATURE R Boss 9-0 ... – 11
27 0 HYPERWASH W Holden 9-0 ... R Morse 7 2
28 INFINITE GLORY L Lightbrown 9-0 ... P Robinson 4
40 00 NO CREDIBILITY G Pritchard-Gordon 9-0 ... B Thomson 21
45 030 SKELLIG BAY R Hollinshead 9-0 ... S Perks 6
61 00000 CEDAR ROOM D Ancil 8-11 ... Paul Eddery 13
63 COY H Candy 8-11 ... – 1
64 33 DAME DE MOULIN J Dunlop 8-11 ... Pat Eddery 12
65 03 DARING WAY M Stoute 8-11 ... W R Swinburn 14
67 DOUBLE JOY L Cumani 8-11 ... D McHargue 20
76 003 HAPPY HOMEMAKER J Berry 8-11 ... A Geran 7 15
77 3030 HILMAY J Spearing 8-11 ... T Rogers 3
91 RYE TOPS G Wragg 8-11 ... B Crossley 9
96 0 SMARTENTA B Hills 8-11 ... S Cauthen 19
1983: Green Gypsy 8-11 W R Swinburn (7-1) B Hanbury 4 ran.
3 Daring Way, 4 Dame De Moulin, 9-2 Empapahero, 6 Classic Capistrano, 8 Chapman, 10 Alaasif, 12 Double Joy, Smartenta.

HEXHAM

GOING: good to firm.

2.30 NEWBIGGIN NOVICE HURDLE (£544: 2m) (11 runners)
2 00- MAINZ BRIG Mrs M Kendall 5-11-0 ... Mrs M Kendall
6 0/02p- STEELSTOCK (B) J Hubbuck 5-11-0 ... S Charlton
7 THREE SHINERS C Parker 8-11-0 ... J J O'Neill
8 4300- TYPECAST J Townson 5-11-0 ... R Stronge
9 0000- CARNIVAL PRIZE R Gray 4-10-12 ... C Hawkins
11 02 SHACKLE PIN (BF) W A Stephenson 4-10-12 ... R Lamb
12 p0p0/ COPPER TINSELL T Barnes 8-10-9 ... M Barnes
13 103-3/ LUCYLET Mrs G Reveley 5-10-9 ... W Gray
14 MAYBELLA S Payne 5-10-9 ... B Storey
15 OUR LOUISE A Scott 5-10-9 ... G Bradley
16 FANCY SPUR F Watson 4-10-7 ... –
1983: Czeroin 6-11-9 T G Davies (6-1) Denys Smith 13 ran.
9-4 Lucylet, 3 Our Louise, 7-2 Shackle Pin, 6 Typecast, 8 Steelstock.

Hexham selections
By Mandarin
2.30 Shackle Pin. 3.0 Happy Worker. 3.30 Mossy Cones. 4.0 The Beginning. 4.30 Jimmy Chips. 5.0 Chronicle Lady. 5.30 Meadow Maid.

3.0 LOADMAN NOVICE CHASE (£722: 2m) (6)
1 b-p11 HAPPY WORKER (D) M W Easterby 9-12-5 ... P Tuck
2 p2-13 GOLD CAMP Ld Kilmany 8-11-12 ... J J O'Neill
3 0-021 HERON'S REFLECTION (BF) W A Stephenson 8-11-5 ... K Jones
4 100-0 JESTING SPIRIT D Lee 9-11-5 ... A Stringer
6 322-2 TRAFALGAR BILL C Parker 7-11-5 ... B Storey
7- f- NOBODY'S DARLING W Clarke 7-11-0 ... Mr T Reed 7
1983: Beaman 5-11-13 P Tuck (4-9 fav) C Bell 8 ran.
1-2 Happy Worker, 5 Trafalgar Bill, 8 Heron's Reflection, 11 Gold Camp, 16 Jesting Spirit, 20 Nobody's Darling.

3.30 BET WITH THE TOTE HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,205: 2m) (11)
1 -43-12 BOY SANDFORD (D) (BF) C Bell 5-11-10 ... P Tuck
2 -4211 SUMMERLAND (D) R Thompson 4-10-11 (6 ex) ... Jayne Thompson 7
3 2614- FELIXSTOWE LAD (CD) J Johnson 5-10-10 ... S Charlton
4 1020- LANCE OF ST GEORGE (D) J Townson 5-10-10 ... Mr C Storey 7
5 010-4 TOT (D) Denys Smith 4-10-10 ... C Grant
6 2041- MOSSY CONES W A Stephenson 5-10-8 ... Mr P Dun 4
7 4p01- HATTERAS G Richards 4-10-7 ... N Doughty
8 p00-f EXACVATOR EXPERT (D) Mrs M Nesbitt 4-10-5 ... D Dutton
9 -3324 MARK EDELSON (CD) J Jefferson 7-10-5 ... J J O'Neill
11 01b2- PADINGO (D) Mrs M Thomas 5-10-0 ... C Mann
12 0/00-p TAKACHINHO Mrs S Lamyman 12-10-0 ... D Chinn 7
1983: Newlife Connection 4-11-5 G W Gray (15-2) W A Stephenson 9 ran.
5-2 Sandford, 3 Summerland, 5 Mossy Cones, 11-2 Hatteras, Mark Edelson, 8 Felixstowe Lad, 12 others.

4.0 WHITLEY CHAPEL SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£460: 2m) (7)
1 0p-0 TRACK SHARP (B) Mrs M Nesbitt 5-12-1 ... B Storey
4 00-p2 KINDRED (D) R Thompson 8-11-3 ... Jayne Thompson 7
5 01p-0 MISTY BAY (CD) Mrs S Lamyman 10-10-11 ... D Chinn 7
6 0/00- ASCOT AGAIN J Smith 8-10-7 ... P Tuck
7 000-1 THE BEGGING (D) I Vickers 6-10-7 (5 ex) ... S Keightley
8 3/030- WILL PEGGITY J Townson 6-10-6 ... Mr C Storey 7
13 03-02 WALTERSTOWN (D) Mrs M Thomas 8-10-0 ... C Mann
1983: Felixstowe Lad 4-10-5 S Charlton (5-4 fav) R Johnson 8 ran.
11-8 The Beginning, 7-2 Walterstown, 4 Track Sharp, 6 Kindred, 8 Will Peggity, 12 others.

4.30 BLACKHILL HANDICAP CHASE (£1,186: 2m 4f) (6)
3 11lp/ TWICE TIMES (D) J Brockbank 9-11-7 ... T G Dun
4 2432- SPRING CHANCELOR (CD) W A Stephenson 9-11-3 ... R Lamb
6 3-101 BIRSBY (C) R McDonald 10-11-1 (4 ex) ... K Jones
7 0433- NICKY TAM (CD) N Pringle 11-10-11 ... C Pimlott
8 3321- JIMMY CHIPS (C) W Raw 7-10-11 ... B Storey
9 0121- RONAN-PAUL (B) (C) S Leadbetter 11-10-1 ... –
1983: Gold Shoveller 8-10-5 P Tuck (2-1) M W Easterby 2 ran.
7-4 Birsby, 3 Jimmy Chips, 4 Ronan-Paul, 6 Spring Chancelor, 10 Nicky Tam, 16 Twice Times.

5.0 RISING SUN NOVICE HURDLE (3-y-o: £535: 2m) (11)
1 BRIGHT FOLLY J Townson 10-10 ... P A Farrell 7
2 0 CARRIE'S FELLA C H Bell 10-10 ... P Tuck
4 0 HARTBURN REBEL I Vickers 10-10 ... R Lamb
6 MR TEASIE WEASIE W Pearce 10-10 ... S Keightley
7 NEWMARKET SAUSAGE Mrs M Nesbitt 10-10 ... D Dutton
10 TUMPY LAKES C H Bell 10-10 ... P Dever 4
11 232 VIKING RAIDER (BF) Denys Smith 10-10 ... C Grant
13 2 CHRONICLE LADY M Lambert 10-5 ... J J O'Neill
14 0 DARRINGTON DEAL C Parker 10-5 ... –
15 DERRYGOLD Mrs L Peacock 10-5 ... Mr G Harker 7
17 LITTLE MISS HORNER J Jefferson 10-5 ... S Charlton
1983: Millie Grey 10-5 S Charlton (9-4 fav) T Barron 7 ran.
2 Viking Raider, 3 Chronicle Lady, 4 Newmarket Sausage, 6 Mr Teasie Weasie, 8 Little Miss Horner, 10 Darrington Deal, 14 others.

5.30 GRUNWICK STAKES NH FLAT RACE (£511: 2m) (12)
1 001- IDA'S DELIGHT J Charlton 5-12-0 ... Mr T Reed 7
2 0- CASTLE OFFICAL W A Stephenson 5-11-7 ... Mr P J Dun 4
3 GINDANGO F Taylor 5-11-7 ... M Berry 7
4 MAUNBY PRINCE T Barron 5-11-7 ... Mrs V Greaves
5 SCOTFEN A Scott 6-11-7 ... J Duggan 7
6 AMADIS T B Arron 4-11-5 ... Mr G Harker 7
8 CHIEF JESTER C Thornton 4-11-5 ... J D Davies 7
11 TRAVEL HOME (B) M Ellerby 4-11-5 ... Mr R Morley 7
12 00- TREVELLO I Jordon 4-11-5 ... B Adamson 7
13 0- CRESTA CROSSETT E Caine 6-11-2 ... Mr E Worrall 7
14 2- LITTLE JAVA E Owen 5-11-2 ... Jayne Thompson 7
15 4- MEADOW MAID M H Easterby 4-11-0 ... Mr T Easterby
1983: Crammond Bdg 6-11-5 Mr T Easterby (7-2) M W Easterby 10 ran.
7-4 Meadow Maid, 5-2 Chief Jester, 3 Ida's Delight, 5 Castle Official, 12 Little Java, 16 others.

Results from five meetings

Haydock Park
2.15 1, Standing Order (9-2); 2, Colonel Dow (100-30); 3, Amalie Bay (100-30). Why Tumble (3-1 fav). 5 ran.
2.45 1, Persia (4-1); 2, Major Don (11-4); 3, Keen Tapping (4-1). Moores Metal (2-1 fav). 5 ran.
3.15 1, Petong (11-1); 2, Habibti (3-1); 3, Never So Bold (9-4). Committed (8-4 fav). 9 ran.
3.45 1, Pictarcise (3-1); 2, Alomeyn (10-11 fav); 3, Here I Am (2-1). 3 ran.
4.15 1, Woodland Pines (10-11 fav); 2, Lookie Lookie (4-1); 3, African Sailing (4-1). 7 ran.
4.45 1, Stodos (7-4 fav); 2, My Haven (25-1); 3, Eta Gid (5-2). 5 ran.

Kempton Park
2.0 1, Cam's Gift (10-1); 2, Bradford (11-2); 3, Hannah Moore (12-1). Eliseo (9-2 fav). 12 ran.
2.30 1, Trenblent (6-4 fav); 2, Sweet Again (9-1); 3, Nazpeh (7-1). 7 ran.
3.0 1, Sabona (15-8 fav); 2, Kofi (8-1); 3, Northern River (14-1). 12 ran.
3.30 1, Mir Jabee (10-1); 2, For Certain (11-2); 3, Grumble (12-1). April Fool (9-1 fav). 10 ran.
4.0 1, Big Chop (5-4 fav); 2, Happy Nun (4-1); 3, Music Machine (14-1). 10 ran.
4.30 1, Ace Of Spies (9-2); 2, Misty Halo (2-1 fav); 3, Gourtonist (5-1). 13 ran.

Thirsk
1.45 1, Madam Lewing (11-10 fav); 2, Caribbean Song (7-4); 3, Raheeh (100-30). 6 ran.
2.15 1, Romoss (5-1); 2, Greed (11-2); 3, Rossett (25-1). Vintage Toll (2-1 fav). 13 ran.
2.45 1, Symbolic (7-2 fav); 2, Kayudee (11-2); 3, Luxury (10-1). 13 ran.
3.15 1, Soldiers (5-2 fav); 2, Gainville Lad (12-1); 3, Upland Goose (12-1). 17 ran.
3.45 1, Fairways Girl (7-1); 2, Miss Aggro (7-2 jt-fav); 3, Sharika (7-2 jt-fav). 15 ran.
4.15 1, Rosgate Park (evens fav); 2, Shieta Crockett (33-1); 3, Bushy Top (16-1). 15 ran.
4.45 1, Taskforce Victory (2-1 fav); 2, Nonnie (5-2); 3, Emerald Eagle (11-4). 14 ran.

Stratford-on-Avon
2.30 1, Indian Moonshine (5-1); 2, Paliavicina (5-2 fav); 3, Sand Lady (4-1). 17 ran.
3.00 1, Liquidale (4-1 jt fav); 2, Rusty Fern (8-1); 3, Hopeful Courage (4-1). 15 ran.
3.30 1, Gambling Prince (5-2 fav); 2, Run To Me (12-1); 3, Foggy Buoy (3-1). 10 ran.
4.00 1, Spencers Lane (2-1 fav); 2, Fury Boy (14-1); 3, Sir Lester (14-1). 9 ran.
4.30 1, Golden Match (25-1); 2, Franciscus (10-1); 3, Skylander (7-2). Star Charter (7-4 fav). 11 ran.
5.00 1, Good Trade (11-8 fav); 2, Swingletree (13-8); 3, Bye Appeal (33-1). 5 ran.

Phoenix Park
2.30 1, Cameron (8-1); 2, Breezing In (50-1); 3, River Farms (10-1). Parfierique (evens fav) 10 ran.
3.0 1, Red Russell (25-1); 2, Neesef (8-1); 3, Harlow (14-1). Capture Him (4-5 fav). 8 ran.
3.30 1, Sadler's Wells (3-1); 2, Seattle Song (15-1); 3, Princes Pati (5-2 jt-fav), Tolomeo (5-2 jt-fav). 12 ran.

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Further particulars of the post may be obtained from the Personnel Officer, The Queen's University of Belfast, University Road, Belfast BT7 1NN. (phone Belfast 245133).
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UNIVERSITY OF LONDON
Notice to Members of the University
The Vice-Chancellor
The Senate in consultation with the Court has established a Committee to consider and make recommendations on the appointment of a Vice-Chancellor from 1 September 1985 in succession to Professor Randolph Quirk who has indicated his resolve to retire on completion of his four year period of office as Vice-Chancellor on 31 August 1985 when he will have reached normal retirement age.
Under the Statutes of the University the Vice-Chancellor is the academic and administrative head of the University and will normally be chosen from among the members of the University. The Vice-Chancellor will be appointed for a period of between two and four years and will be eligible for re-appointment for one further period not exceeding four years.
The Committee invites members of the University who may wish to suggest a name or names for consideration (particularly of members of the University) to write in confidence by Monday 22 October 1984 to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr P Taylor, Clerk of the Senate, Senate House, Malet Street, WC1E 7HU.
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RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP IN SOCIAL SCIENCES
Applications are invited from suitably qualified persons for two Research Fellowships tenable in the School of Social Sciences. This school encompasses the Disciplines of American Studies, Asian Studies, Economic History, Economics, Geography, History, Politics, Psychology, Social Administration and Sociology. The School seeks to foster collaboration between Disciplines; the Research Fellows may work in an area of interdisciplinary research linking the social sciences or within a single Discipline.
The Fellowships are tenable initially for one year, renewable for up to twelve months, but candidates may apply for a shorter period if preferred. Applicants should have completed a Ph.D. prior to taking up the appointment, or have had equivalent research experience.
For appointments of one year or more the annual salary range will be $A21,411-$24,828. A successful applicant with a completed Ph.D. will be appointed on the third step of the scale, at a salary of $A22,660. An excursion class air ticket for the Fellow and a grant not exceeding $A1,100 may be provided as a contribution toward the travel an removal costs of the Fellow in taking up the appointment.
For appointments shorter than one year a sum of $A1,600 per month will be made as a contribution towards travel and living expenses.
Further details concerning the fields of interest within the School are obtainable from the Registrar.
Applications, including full personal details, details of academic record and publications, a brief outline of research interests and of the proposed programme of research to be undertaken under the Fellowship, and the names of at least three referees, should be lodged, in duplicate, with the Registrar, The Flinders University of South Australia, Bedford Park, South Australia 5042, by 31 October 1984. Applicants should request their referees to forward confidential reports direct to the Registrar before the closing date.

University of Liverpool
LECTURER IN LAW
Applications are invited for the post of Lecturer in the Faculty of Law. An interest in Company Law would be an advantage, but applicants with interest in any field of law will be considered.
Initial salary within the range of £7,190-£8,830 per annum on a scale rising to £14,125 per annum (under review).
Applications, together with the names of three referees, should be received not later than 12th October, 1984, by the Registrar, The University, PO Box 147, Liverpool, L69 3BX, from whom further particulars may be obtained. Quote ref RV/685/T.

University of Liverpool
APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Applications are invited from graduates or persons holding a suitable professional qualification for a post of Administrative Assistant, initially in the Committee Office in the division of the Academic Secretary. The post is tenable for a period of three years from 1st January, 1985, or such earlier date as may be arranged.
The salary scale is £6,310-£11,615 per annum (Grade IA) (under review).
Applications (eight copies), together with the names of three referees, should be received not later than 3rd October, 1984, by The Registrar, The University, PO Box 147, Liverpool, L69 3BX, from whom further particulars may be obtained. Quote ref RV/628.

JAPAN FOUNDATION ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE
GRANTS FOR TEACHING AND RESEARCH
The annual income from a donation made by the Japan Foundation is available for disbursement by the Committee established under the auspices of the UGC for the promotion of Japanese Studies in universities in the U.K. Further particulars and application forms are obtained from the Secretary, Japan Foundation Endowment Committee, c/o The University of Sheffield, Sheffield S10 2TN, to whom applications should be sent by 22nd October 1984. Quote ref: R157/A.

University of Warwick
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Applications are invited for a post of Administrative Assistant in the Finance Office. Candidates should hold a good honours degree or other relevant qualifications, and should have had some business experience. Salary on the Administrative Grade IA scale: £6,310 – £11,615 p.a. (under review).
Further details from the Registrar, University of Warwick, Coventry CV4 7AL, quoting reference number 6/B/3/84/J to whom applications (2 copies naming three referees) should be sent by 5th October 1984.

University of Warwick
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR
Applications are invited for a new post of Assistant Registrar in the Deputy Registrar's Office. Candidates should hold a good honours degree and have relevant experience, preferably in a University.
Salary on the Administrative Grade II scale: £11,160-£14,125 pa (under review). Further details from The Registrar, University of Warwick, Coventry, CV4 7AL, to whom applications (including the names of three referees) should be sent by 5th October, 1984, quoting Reference No 6/B/84/J.

King's College, London (KQC)
(UNIVERSITY OF LONDON)
POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH ASSOCIATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF ELECTRONIC & ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING AND CHEMISTRY
Applications are invited for the above post available from 1 October, 1984, or as soon as possible thereafter.
The appointment is ALVEY funded and is for a maximum of three years. The applicant should be qualified as an Electrical or Electronic Engineer and should have experience in a field such as Gaseous Discharges or Atomic Collisions in Solids. An interest in Chemistry or Integrated Circuit Fabrication would be an advantage.
The applicant should be prepared to collaborate effectively not only on an interdepartmental basis, but with industrial research establishments, (eg GEC Hirst, Plessey Caswell and Plasmatech Ltd).
The importance of the project is recognised by the funding body which is prepared to award a salary on the scale £7,190 to £11,615 plus £1,186 London Allowance according to age and experience.
Further particulars may be obtained from Dr R B Burtt, Department of Electronic and Electrical Engineering (01-836 5454, Ext 2445) or from Dr J E Nicholas, Department of Chemistry (Ext 2247), King's College London, Strand, London, WC2R 2LS. Applications in the form of a curriculum vitae should be received no later than 5 October, 1984.

Monash University Melbourne, Australia
CHAIR OF FRENCH
Applications are invited for appointment to the Chair in the Department of French. As well as offering a four-year undergraduate course covering a wide range of areas in French language, literature, civilization, and linguistics, the department has a graduate program for both M.A. and Ph.D. candidates, and is the home of The Australian Journal of French Studies. The department also participates actively in interdisciplinary studies, and in respect to future development, there has been some discussion of a new departmental structure in which the present activities of the Department of French might be conducted in a context embracing other Romance languages and literatures.
Applications are invited from persons who have proven administrative competence and flexibility, a distinguished and ongoing record as scholars, and fluency in the French language. In addition, the successful applicant will be expected to engage in the department's practical language teaching programme, and to take an active interest in all aspects of French studies in Victoria, including the pre-university stages.
Salary: $A52,026 per annum, Superannuation, travel and removal allowance, and temporary housing assistance.
Information on application procedure and further particulars may be obtained from the Registrar, Monash University, Clayton, Victoria 3168, Australia, or the Secretary General, Association of Commonwealth Universities (Appts), 36 Gordon Square, London WC1H OPF. Applications should reach the Registrar not later than 31 October 1984.
The Council reserves the right to make no appointment or to appoint by invitation only.
AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

University of Exeter
LECTURESHIP IN PHYSICS
Applications are invited for the post of Lecturer in Physics, tenable from 1 January 1985. The post is one of the University's New Blood appointments, for which applicants must normally be under 35 years of age, but this should not be regarded as a deterrent to much younger applicants.
The successful applicant will join the low temperature group which is working on experiments with liquid ⁴He at T< 01 K. Current interest includes quantum evaporation, roton scattering, stimulated emission of phonons and the development of a Helium acoustic microscope. Expertise in some aspect of low temperature physics is essential and candidates are invited to join in the current work or propose an innovative research programme in the general area of low temperature physics.
Salary will be within the Lecturer scale £7,190–£14,125 per annum (under review) with placement appropriate to age and experience.
Further particulars available from the Personnel Office University of Exeter Exeter EX4 4QJ to whom applications (eight copies) giving the names of three referees should be sent by 30 September, 1984 quoting reference No. 3566.

University of Glasgow
COMPUTING SERVICE
Applications are invited for two posts of PROGRAMMER or ANALYST and one post of RESEARCH TECHNOLOGIST within the Computing Service of the University of Glasgow. One post (Ref. No. 5333E) involves systems programming work related to the support of the VME Operating System on the Service's central ICL 2988 computer; one post (Ref. No. 5334E) relates to the support of applications software and the provision of a consultancy and advisory service; and the Research Technologist post (Ref. No. 5335E) is associated with the support of a rapidly growing number of microcomputer systems distributed about the University. Applicants should hold a Degree or equivalent qualifications and should have an interest and experience in one or other of these areas.
The appointments will be made on the grade 1A/Grade II ranges of the national Other Related Staffs scales for universities, the salaries for which are currently in the range from £7,190-£11,615 and from £11,160-£14,125 respectively (under review).
Further particulars may be obtained from the Academic Personnel Office, University of Glasgow, Glasgow, G12 8QQ, where applications (8 copies), giving the names and addresses of not more than three referees, should be lodged on or before 29th September, 1984.
In reply please quote appropriate Ref. No.

University of Glasgow
DEPARTMENT OF BIOCHEMISTRY
LECTURESHIP IN BIOCHEMISTRY
Applications are invited for a Lectureship in the Department of Biochemistry. Salary will be within the range £7,190-£14,125 (under review) on the Lecturers' scale, with placement according to age, qualifications and experience.
While applications will be considered from candidates with research interests in any field of biochemistry preference will be given to those with interests in hormone and growth receptors, cell growth and differentiation and the application of biochemical and molecular biological techniques to these problems.
Further particulars may be obtained from the Academic Personnel Office, University of Glasgow, Glasgow, G12 8QQ, where applications (10 copies) giving the names and addresses of not more than three referees, should be lodged on or before 19th October, 1984.
In reply please quote Ref No 5315E.

University of Oxford
in association with Hertford College
UNIVERSITY LECTURESHIP IN FRENCH PHILOLOGY AND OLD FRENCH LITERATURE
Applications are invited for the above post, which is open to men and women. Stipend according to age on the scale £7,190 to £15,085 (under review). The successful candidate may be offered a tutorial fellowship (for which no separate application is required) at Hertford College.
Further particulars concerning the appointment and its scope may be obtained from the Secretary, Taylor Institution, St Giles', Oxford, OX1 3NA, to whom completed applications (six typed copies, except in the case of overseas candidates, who need send only one) should be sent by 1 OCTOBER, 1984.

University of Warwick
LECTURESHIP IN OPERATIONAL RESEARCH
Applications are invited for a Lectureship in Operational Research in the School of Industrial and Business Studies. The successful candidate will join a group of ten OR and Systems staff, under the leadership of Professor Rolfe Tomlinson. Applicants should have some experience of applying OR to practical problems and either a research record or the capability to develop a strong research activity. The successful candidate will teach graduate, postgraduate, and post-experience students in the fields of Operational Research and Quantitative Methods. The appointment would be made on the lecturer scale £7,190 – £14,125 p.a.
Further particulars are available from the Registrar, University of Warwick, Coventry CV4 7AL, quoting Reference No. 1/A/84/J.
Closing date for receipt of applications is October 1st, 1984.

University of Durham
DEPARTMENT OF APPLIED PHYSICS AND ELECTRONICS
LECTURESHIP
Applications are invited for a lectureship in the Department of Applied Physics and Electronics, tenable from 1 October 1984 or as soon as possible thereafter. This permanent post is associated with the SERC initiative on VLSI fabrication and design. Teaching duties will primarily be involved with the industrially oriented M. Eng. (Microelectronics Option). The successful candidate will be expected to pursue research work in electronics for which there are particularly good facilities in the following areas:
Practical VLSI design which is supported by SERC with access to their chip fabrication facilities.
Digital signal processing and data communications with emphasis on VLSI implementation.
Silicon microelectronic devices for which there is a prototype production facility in the Department.
Applicants with experience of these or other areas of electronics, electronic engineering or physics will be considered.
Salary on the lecturer scale £7,190 to £14,125 (under review) with superannuation.
Applications (3 copies) naming three referees should be sent by 12 October, 1984 to the Registrar, Science Laboratories, South Road, Durham DH1 3LE, from whom further particulars may be obtained.

University of Bristol
DEPARTMENT OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERING
"New Blood" Lecturer in Manufacturing
Applications are invited from Electrical, Production or Mechanical Engineering graduates for a "new blood" post in Manufacturing. The appointment will provide an opportunity for research and teaching in the area of electro-mechanical control within manufacturing systems. Initially, the appointee will work on projects in the area of grinding, joining an active research group which has a strong track record of interacting successfully with industry.
The appointee will be expected to lecture in the proposed Technology Enhanced four-year courses of the Mechanical and Electrical and Electronic Engineering Departments on the topic of Flexible Manufacturing systems, and to help in the development of teaching and research laboratories.
Industrial experience in manufacturing, particularly in production control systems, would be an advantage.
The commencing salary will be at an appropriate point, according to age, qualifications and experience on the scale £7,190–£14,125 per annum (presently under review).
The University does not issue application forms. Applications should be made by letter and should include the names and addresses of three referees. The letter should be accompanied by a curriculum vitae setting out date of birth and, in chronological order, details of education and subsequent career with qualifications and present salary, and previous appointments. Applications should be sent not later than 15th October, 1984, to the Registrar and Secretary, University of Bristol, Senate House, Bristol BS8 1TH, quoting reference JPS, from whom further particulars may be obtained.

THE UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD
THE LIBRARIANSHIP
Applications are invited for the University Librarianship which will fall vacant on the unexpected early retirement of Mr C. K. Balmforth from 1 October 1984. Salary on the Grade IV salary range for Senior Library Staff (minimum £17,275 a year). Particulars from the Registrar and Secretary (Staffing), the University of Sheffield, Sheffield S10 2TN to whom applications (one copy) should be sent by 12 October 1984.
Please quote Ref: 138/A.

The University of Leeds
SCHOOL OF EDUCATION
LECTURER (TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION)
Applications are invited for the above post allocated under the UGC's New Blood Scheme available immediately. The person appointed will be required to pursue teaching and research activities intended to improve the quality of technology education in the schools and, particular, to contribute to the initial and inservice educatio (including Diplomas and Higher degrees) of graduate teachers of technology. Familiarity with the work of schools is essential and the successful applicant is likely to have experience and qualifications in such fields as engineering, design/control technology, electronics and information technology or a branch of applied science.
The age limit for these posts is normally 35.
Salary on the academic scale for Lecturers (£7,190 – £14,125) (under review) according to age, qualifications and experience.
Application forms an further particulars may be obtained from the Registrar, The University, Leeds LS2 9JT, quoting reference no. 28/66.
Closing date for applications 5 October 1984.
Informal enquiries may be made to Mr E W Jenkins (Tel. 0532 431751 Ext 7362).

University of Cambridge
FACULTY OF MODERN AND MEDIEVAL LANGUAGES
LANGUAGE ADVISER
Applications are invited for a newly-established part-time (¾) post of Language Adviser in the Faculty of Modern and Medieval Languages at Cambridge for a period of five years (subject to review after three years).
The main duties of the person appointed will be to provide an advisory service, open to all members of the University, on the learning of modern languages, to develop new teaching materials for self-instruction in French and German for students preparing for examinations such as the Institute of Linguists examinations, and to undertake some teaching. The person appointed will also be expected to organize teaching in one or both of these languages and will be encouraged to undertake additional teaching.
The pensionable scale of stipend is £6,283 a year for the ¾ time post, rising by two annual increments to £6,583 and £6,833 a year.
Further particulars may be obtained by writing to the Secretary, Faculty of Modern and Medieval Languages, Sidgwick Avenue, Cambridge CB3 9DA. Applications should include a c.v. and reach the Secretary by 30 September 1984.

University of Liverpool
DEPARTMENT OF METALLURGY AND MATERIALS SCIENCE
THEORETIC RESEARCH INTO DEFECT PROPERTIES
Applications are invited for a postdoctoral Senior Research Assistantship to investigate by theoretical methods defects produced by radiation damage in metals. The research is funded by the S.E.R.C. for three years and will involve close liaison with the U.K.A.E.A. Harwell.
Applicants should be graduates in materials science, physics, mathematics or an engineering discipline, and have research experience of condensed-matter theory and computational methods. The initial salary will be within the range £7190-£9080 p.a.
Application forms and further particulars may be obtained from The Registrar, The University, P.O. Box 147, Liverpool L69 3BX, to whom completed forms should be received not later than 28th September 1984. Quote ref. RV/627.

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Educational
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KING'S SCHOOL, BRUTON

Appointment of HEAD

The Governors of King's School, Bruton, Somerset, invite applications for the post of HEAD which becomes vacant on 1st September, 1985, on the retirement of Mr G H G Doggart. Applicants must be Anglican and graduates.

Applications should reach the Senior Warden, King's School, Bruton, Somerset, BA10 0ED, by Saturday, 29th September, 1984, and be accompanied by a CV and the names of three referees. Further details may be obtained from the Appointment Secretary at the above address.

CHURCHER'S COLLEGE PETERSFIELD

The Governors invite applications for the post of

HEAD

which becomes vacant on 1st September 1985 on the retirement of Mr D. I. Brooks, M.A.

Churcher's College has been an Independent School since 1979, and the present Headmaster is a member of the Headmaster's Conference and the Society of Headmasters of Independent Schools.

The School has 461 pupils, of whom 70 are boarders. There is a VI Form of 100, to which girls are admitted.

The successful applicant is likely to be a good Honours graduate of a British University, below the age of 45. Salary will be negotiable, but based on Burnham Group 9.

Further details of the appointment may be obtained from:

The Clerk to the Governors,
Churcher's College,
Petersfield,
Hampshire GU31 4AS

ST JAMES' SCHOOL, GRIMSBY
An Associated school of the Woodard Corporation

Appointment of Head

Applications are invited from committed communicant members of the Church of England with suitable qualifications and experience to take up the post of Head by or before Easter 1985.

St James' School was founded in 1880 as the Choir School of Grimsby Parish Church and the choristers are still drawn from its boys. It is a co-educational school of 220 pupils ranging in age from 4-18. There are three boarding houses. O and A level courses are offered up to University entrance.

Further details from the Secretary to the Governors, St James' House, St James' Square, Grimsby DN31 1EP. Tel: (0472) 58610.

Closing date for applications first post Friday 28th September 1984.

HEATHFIELD SCHOOL
BURSAR AND CLERK TO THE GOVERNORS
required from January 1985

Heathfield is a girls' boarding school with 175 pupils and a staff of over a hundred. The successful applicant will be a proven, practical administrator with sound knowledge of commercial accounting practices and estate management including the maintenance of buildings, plant and grounds. An ability to lead a team of specialists is essential. An appropriate salary with unfurnished accommodation.

Applications with CV and names of three referees to reach The Clerk to the Governors, Heathfield School, Ascot, Berkshire SL5 8BQ by 28 September.

SHERBORNE SCHOOL FOR GIRLS
Dorset
requires a
HOUSEMISTRESS

The post involves taking charge of a boarding house of approximately 45 girls, and also some teaching. Salary Scale 3 Burnham. Date of appointment is January 1985.
Apply in writing to the Headmistress, giving details of age, qualifications, experience and teaching subjects, together with the names, addresses and telephone numbers of two referees.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL
ECONOMIST

An Economist is required to join the Economics Department at Westminster School in January 1985. Candidates must be able to teach to Oxbridge level. An ability to assist with games or extra-curricular activities would be an advantage. Apply to: The Head Master, Westminster School, 17 Dean's Yard, London SW1P 3PB for further details.

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EDUCATIONAL STUDENTSHIPS

King's College, London
DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY
RESEARCH STUDENTSHIP

Applications are invited for a Research Studentship in Chemistry, tenable from October, 1984, and leading to the PhD degree. The successful candidate will be required to do some undergraduate teaching, particularly laboratory demonstrating. Emoluments payable will take this into account.

Applicants should hold a good Honours Degree from a UK University (or CNAA) or QBSC of equivalent standing.

Applications, including a curriculum vitae and the names of two referees, should be sent as soon as possible to: Professor V Gold, FRS, Department of Chemistry, King's College, Strand, London, WC2R 2LS.

HORIZONS
The Times guide to career choice

The wheelchair barrier

Despite 30 years of a well-intentioned Act of Parliament, disabled people are still running into job discrimination, reports Ann Hills

Martin Duffy made light of hundreds of rejection letters by pinning them up in the lavatory. Persistence paid. The lad who left school at 15 without an O-level, who broke his back falling out of a window at 18 is, nine years later, co-presenter of *Scramble*. The weekly *hour-long live programe is* being launched in Liverpool this month by Granada Television.

Martin believes he is the only regular television presenter in a wheelchair who doesn't concentrate on disability. Viewers who know him from *This Is Your Right*, on which he is a presenter, do not seem to notice his disability, asking when they meet him: "Have you had an accident since last week?" His abilities are on show; *television is making his paraplegia* less noticeable.

Three years after Martin broke into the media in the year of disabled people, and 30 years since the Disabled Persons (Employment) Act introduced the quota system, unemployment rates are higher than ever. Accurate figures are not available, partly because only 400,000 workers are registered as disabled. Integration is a byword for success – being labelled "different" has few rewards. Among them are the Manpower Services Commission's financial incentives – contributions towards fares and the purchase of employment aids.

The MSC is producing a new code of practice aimed at senior management, and containing a practical handbook. Also due soon is a report from a national quota working party, which will advise on effectiveness. There is no possibility of companies being able to comply with the demand to employ 3 per cent disabled employees on a staff roll of 20 or more.

Realism could be given a prod through European guidelines on the employment of disabled people due out in 1985 with contributions from the ten member-countries.

Technology is beginning to help employment and reduce prejudice

The Royal Association for Disability and Rehabilitation (Radar), which publishes and Employers' Guide to Disabilities, is mounting a fortnight's publicity campaign next April – Employ-ability '85 will have major conferences in London and the regions. Information packs will be sent to chairmen of top companies. Nalgo has its own booklet, *Disability is no handicap – negotiating on behalf of the disabled worker*.

Paperwork does not progress fast. Breakthroughs are coming with new technology. Computers have produced openings for disabled staff, some severely handicapped, with remote home-based work units. A project with a mouthful title, Information Technology World and Professional and Executive Recruitment, has successfully set up 60 jobs. A second phase, funded by the European Social Fund and the Department of Trade and Industry, will add 40 jobs. Eileen Martin, a DTI organizer, explains that "the concept has to be marketed to employers; we do in-depth job studies and find suitable workers. Equipment – often computers and communication aids – might cost £8,000 to enable one person to work from home.

She said: "A 17-year-old boy in Stornoway, who suffers from brittle bones, is establishing a database of patients for the Western Isles Health Board; a limbless man in the Midlands, who operates a computer with a mouthstick, is a programmer with a building society; a deaf-and-dumb lady keys in text for law and accountancy training manuals. One man transforms statistics into graphics for the London Electricity Board".

Problems include social isolation, which Eileen tries to minimize by encouraging visits to the workplace. Technology is also advancing the spread of information to promote employment and reduce prejudice. Aidline, a new database on occupational aids and adaptation techniques, is being launched this month by the Production Engineering Research Association (Pera).

Stair lifts, furniture, switches and non-slip materials are among items indexed. So are case studies based on questionnaires which consider people with specific disabilities – the jobs they do, the aids they use. Aidline also incorporates already published information. The £230,000 project, financed by the European Social Fund, the Department of Trade and MSC, uses Viewdata. Initially the MSC disablement advisory service in four centres, from Bristol to Preston, will be able to "key in". After a trial *run Aidline will be on view* nationally.

The British Database on Research into Aids for the Disabled (Bard) – yet again with Department of Trade backing – is pooling data on prototypes, one-offs, and evaluating outcomes. For example, Bard may suggest how pioneering work on micro-electronics will offer future employment possibilities. Searches can be undertaken. Bard is producing a software database with programs relevant to all aspects of life for disabled people.

Meanwhile, the Disabled Graduate Employment Data Bank, being transferred to computer, is built up by information from advisers, supplemented by findings from the Association of Disabled Professionals. Housed in the careers-advisory service at the University of Nottingham, this is a national register of hundreds of disabled graduates who have entered work and are coping successfully. Examples of paths pioneered and hurdles overcome encourages enquirers – be they job-hunters or employers.

However solid the banks for information, getting into employment means negotiating at personal level. Barriers are still raised where they constitute a travesty of justice. Take the case of Hilary Stevenson, who made headline news when she was not allowed to gain her teaching certificate despite having completed a college course and practised some teaching. An appeal to the Department of Education failed.

"I'm not bitter, but I think it was the wrong decision", says Hilary, who had aimed to become an educational psychologist, despite polio, which confined her to a wheelchair.

Today she works in the Micro Electronics Development Team in Walsall – advising schools on using computers. That includes school visits and, somewhat ironically, she is asked to address pupils on disability.

This month three of Hilary's winning entries to the Spastics Society's literary competition are being published in *Write Angles* (Hodder and Stroughton, £3.50). Her story, *The Time Will Come*, is, she says based on having to say goodbye to the children where I did my teaching practice".

The conflict between total integration and sponsored jobs has not been resolved. Early next year, Lambeth Tiles, which will use traditional designs to recreate eighteenth-century type tiles, is to go into production with a workforce chosen because of a combination of abilities and disabilities. The manager, Laraine Stokes, has now been appointed by Lady Margaret Hall Settlement to appoint colleagues.

The use of positive discrimination is a mixed blessing that Fiona Campbell would understand. She became paralysed at 10, went to an integrated school in Belfast and won a place at Girton College, where she was the only undergraduate in a wheelchair. She directed student theatre, but was then turned down for an arts administration course two years running. "They said I wouldn't get secondments to theatres", she said.

She realized she would have to become politically committed

Bitter, but unable to succeed, she eventually joined the British Council and began to see as a pattern "the systematic nature of discrimination; the way in which people with disabilities are put down by society". Her involvement in the Society of Civil and Public Servants forged the opinion that she would have to be politically committed to work on behalf of staff like herself.

Like some highly educated disabled graduates, Fiona found that her own efforts to be independent and integrated led her to promoting those aims among colleagues. Today Fiona *is in the GLC's Equal Opportunities* Unit, part of the personnel department, paving the way towards openings for all in the 25,000-strong local authority.

Jobs are redesigned if necessary – a deaf clerical officer, for example, is not efficient on the phone). Second-chance courses prompt personal assessments. From next month, Fiona will help to tutor the first career-development workshop for people with disabilities. Who will attend? "Maybe a blind solicitor in the valuers department, a deaf cartographic draftsman", she says. Anyone who has a handicap – from epilepsy to mental illness – will be considered. Fiona reckons "it is important to share experiences".

There are strange flaws in the system. If she were incapable of working she would be eligible for a home help. She is not, and has to attempt housework from a wheelchair.

"Society wants us to be totally incapable or totally capable". She is now planning courses for managers working with disabled people. Education, attitude changing, remains the key to career prospects for a workforce at a disadantage.

The author has compiled a short list of contacts mentioned in this article. Copies are available free of charge, by sending a SAE to Career Horizons, Special Reports, The Times, PO Box 7, 200 Grays Inn Road, London WC1X 8EZ.

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LONDON COLLEGE OF MUSIC
Examinations Department
Part-Time Senior/Chief Examiners

Required to commence duties in January 1985 SENIOR EXAMINERS in KEYBOARD, WOODWIND, BRASS and SINGING & SPEECH to supervise the general conduct of the College's Grade and Diploma Examinations in the British Isles.
ONE of these appointments will be at CHIEF EXAMINER level.
Salary: Senior Examiner £1,000 p.a. (Plus expenses)
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Further details and applications forms are obtainable from:
The Secretary of the Academic Board,
London College of Music,
47, Great Marlborough Street,
LONDON W1V 2AS
the closing date for applications is 12th October 1984.

CHRIST CHURCH COLLEGE CANTERBURY
College Chaplain

Applications are invited from priests in orders for the post of College Chaplain which is vacant in January 1985 at this Church of England College of Higher Education with 1,000 students.

Further particulars are obtainable from Mrs Jean Long, Personal Assistant to the Principal to whom applications should be returned before 4 October.

CRANBROOK SCHOOL, KENT
BURSAR AND CLERK TO THE GOVERNORS

This is a Voluntary Aided, co-educational boarding and day school of 750 pupils in the Weald of Kent. The post of Bursar and Clerk will become vacant during 1985 and the person appointed will act as Deputy from around 1st January.
The post requires the usual range of administrative and financial skills as well as an ability to supervise the maintenance of buildings and grounds, and to service the Governors' Meetings. The salary scale is Local Authority SO1 + allowanes.
Further information and application forms are available from the Headmaster, Cranbrook School, Cranbrook, Kent, TN17 3JD.

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154 Southampton Row
London WC1B 5AX

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Applications are invited by 15 October, 1984, from men and women for two
RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS
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9.00 Gardeners' World from the cottage garden of Len Lindley's in Wrenthorpe, Wakefield. (r)
9.25 Social Democratic Party Conference 1984. The reporters in Buxton are Sir Robin Day, Peter Snow and Vincent Hanna. 10.30 Play School (r) 10.50 Social Democratic Party Conference 1984. Further coverage of the proceedings at Buxton including the speech by the Party's president, Shirley Williams.
12.30 News After Noon 12.57 Regional news (London and SE *only: Financial report* followed by news headlines with subtitles).
1.00 Pebble Mill At One. The first of a new series of magazine programmes includes a tribute to Donny MacLeod, who died last week. 1.45 Chock-a-Block
2.00 Social Democratic Party Conference 1984. Unemployment and the abolition of the GLC will be debated. 3.48 Regional news (not London).
3.50 Play School, presented by Carol Chell. 4.10 Mighty Mouse (r). 4.15 Puzzle Trail. The first clues to a hidden treasure. 4.30 Dungeons and Dragons. *Part one of a new* six-episode cartoon series of adventures. 4.50 John Craven's Newsround.
5.00 Blue Peter. A new series begins with Simon Groom and Janet Ellis on a Kenyan safari to join ornithologists competing to see who can spot the greatest number of different species of bird in 24 hours.
5.30 Ask the Family. The Hulfords of Oxford meet the Nicholls family from Cambridge in a general knowledge contest. 5.58 Weather.
6.00 News
6.30 London Plus
6.55 Harty. The first of a new series of chat shows from the Greenwood Theatre. Russell Harty's guests this evening include Jodie Foster, Adam Ant, Paul Jones and Jessica Reece, the deaf girl who recently had a successful implant.
7.40 Get Set Go! A new word game series presented by comedian Michael Barrymore.
8.10 Panorama. A new season begins with Fred Emery assessing the progress and the plans of the Social Democratic Party. Mr Emery interviews the Party leader, Dr *David Owen.*
9.00 News with Julia Somerville.
9.25 Film: The Elephant Man* (1980) starring John Hurt as John Merrick the misshapen Victorian who was once a sideshow freak but taken into the care of an ambitious young surgeon who discovers Merrick *has an intelligent and* sensitive nature. A true story and one that brought Hurt justified plaudits for his sensitive portrayal of the character. Directed by David Lynch. (First showing on British television) (Ceefax titles).
11.25 The 20th Century Remembered. The first of a new series of three and Keith Kyle talks to the former Liberal leader, Lord Grimond (see Choice).
11.55 News headlines and weather.

TV-am

6.25 Good Morning Britain presented by Anne Diamond and Nick Owen News with Gordon Honeycombe at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 6.39 and 7.37; guests, Keith Barron and Michael Robbins from 6.45; exercises at 6.46 and 9.20; the day's anniversaries at 6.51; Popeye cartoon at 7.22; Nik Kershaw video at 7.45; astrology at 8.15; Jimmy Greaves's programme choice at 8.34; financial advice at 8.43; how to live without tranquillizers at 9.05.

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9.25 Thames news headlines followed by Sesame Street. 10.25 Wings Week. To complement the week-long fund raising events for the RAF Benevolent Fund there will be a special rogramme each morning about classic military aircraft of the Second World War beginning with the Spitfire (r).
11.25 Film: Below Zero* (1930) starring Laurel and Hardy as two down and outs who find a wallet in the street. Directed by James Parrott. 11.50 The Little Rascals* in Night 'n' Gales.
12.00 Flicks. Christopher Lillicrap and The Cow Who Fell in the Canal. 12.10 Let's Pretend to the story of The Empty Egg Cup (r). 12.30 All in a Day's Walk. Ulster's cave country.
1.00 News 1.20 Thames news.
1.30 Film: Where the Spies Are (1965) starring David Niven and Francois Dorleac. Comedy thriller about Dr Jason Love who, much against his better judgment, complies with a Foreign Office request that he should assist in the investigation of a missing agent. Directed by Val Guest. 3.25 Thames news headlines. 3.30 The Young Doctors.
4.00 Flicks. A repeat of the programme shown at noon. 4.15 The Moomins (r). 4.20 He-Man and Masters of the Universe. 4.40 Educating Marmalade. The exploits of the naughtiest girl in the world (r). 5.00 Dangermouse (r).
5.15 Emmerdale Farm. A new series chronicling the lives of the villagers of Beckindale.
5.45 News. 6.00 Thames news
6.25 Help! Viv Taylor Gee examines why, generally, Britain doesn't provide child care for working parents. The programme includes film of the Blackshaw Nursery in Tooting.
6.35 Crossroads. More drama and passion from the staff and guests of the motel.
7.00 The Krypton Factor. Another set of tests of brain and brawn for four more hardy competitors. (Oracle titles page 170).
7.30 Coronation Street. Derek Witton learns about Victor Pendlebury's proposal of marriage from Mavis Riley (Oracle titles page 170).
8.00 Lace. The second and final part of the steamy drama based on the novel by Shirley Conran about a young woman's search for the mother who abandoned her as a baby (Oracle titles page 170).
10.00 News includes a report from Sandy Gall on the plight of the Afghan refugees fleeing to Pakistan.
10.30 Quincy. The investigative pathologist is concerned about the death of a nurse who had served in Vietnam.
11.30 Film: City of the Dead* (1960) starring Christopher Lee. A tale of the occult about the inhabitants of a Massachusetts town who, in the 17th century, made a pact with the Devil who saved them from burning at the stake. Three centuries late the townfolk are still repaying the debt by sacrificing a young girl two nights of the year.
12.55 Night Thoughts.

Brenda Blethyn and Simon Callow (Channel 4, 8.30 pm)

CHOICE

● *I don't know how hard Keith Kyle* had to cast around for the most concise way of summing up Jo Grimond, the subject of his threepart interview, THE 20TH CENTURY REMEMBERED (BBC1, 11.25pm), but in the event he could scarcely have improved on the few words he has settled for: "Famous as a politician for not really seeming to be one." And if one needed a single event in the former Liberal leader's life to point up Mr Kyle's definition of the politician *malgré lui*, it is provided by Lord Grimond himself. So little faith did he have in his chance of success when fighting his first parliamentary seat in 1945 that he did not even go to the count and was aghast when told, over the telephone, that he had lost by only 300 votes. From the fact that tonight's programme ends without even a hint that Lord Grimond would eventually become party leader, you may infer that this first episode is concerned almost entirely with formative factors.

● Michael Yorke's unpleasant film DOSSERS (BBC2, 9.30pm) would have been a failure had it been anything but unpleasant. You can't, as they say, make an omelette without breaking eggs, and you can't make a film about six down-and-outs, aimlessly dragging out their existence in the Waterloo area of London, from handout to handout and bottle to bottle, without your *microphoe and camera registering* the sort of raw behaviour and even rawer vocabulary that will offend many a sensitive and comfortable ear and eye. Unpleasant, yes. But *Dossers* is also pitying and touching, and even comical.

● There is a manic quality about Simon Callow (the original Mozart in Peter Shaffer's *Amadeus*) and a dazed quality about Brenda Blethyn that makes them ideal casting for the odd pair to whom farcical things happen in CHANCE IN A MILLION (Channel 4, 8.30pm), Andrew Norris's and Richard Fegen's new comedy series. There is a crazily logical illogicality about the first episode which does not, however, extend so far as justifying Mr Callow's sounding like Alfred Jingle, the rogue with the fractured delivery, in *The Pickwick Papers.*

Music highlight: Colin Matthews's cello concert makes its bow in tonight's Prom (Radio 3, 7.30) with Alexander Baillie as soloist with the BBC S.O.

Peter Davalle

TONIGHT'S PROM

7.30 Britten's The Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra; and Colin Matthews's Cello Concerto. BBC Symphony Orchestra, conducted by David Atherton. Soloist: Alexander Baillie (cello)
8.30 Walton's Symphony No 1. Radio 3.†

BBC 2

6.05 Open University: History of Mathematics 6.30 Whales and Whaling 6.55 Maths: Modelling Cranes 7.20 Geochemical Mapping 7.45 Data on Cars. Ends at 8.10.
9.00 Ceefax.
3.45 Social Democratic Party Conference 1984. Further coverage of the debates from Buxton.
5.00 Shorefields School: Meeting a Need. The second of two Open University programmes that examine how inner city renewal and falling school rolls have affected a Liverpool school (r).
5.25 News summary with subtitles.
5.30 The Islanders. Dennis Skillicorn, in the first of four programmes about men whose lives are influenced by the sea, is on the Isle of Wight where he meets Charlie Atrill, the Yarmouth harbourmaster for the past two decades, and the men of the Needles lighthouse.
6.00 Film: Yellow Canary* (1943) starring Anna Neagle, Richard Greene and Margaret Rutherford. Second World War drama with Dame Anna playing a young woman who is requested to leave Britain because of her Nazi sympathies. On her voyage to Canada *she meets two fellow* passengers and becomes involved in a daring German plot. But is she or her two new acquaintances really what they seem? Directed by Herbert Wilcox.
7.35 A Summer Reflection. Award-winning sports photographer Eamonn McCabe talks about the skill needed in capturing on film exciting sporting pictures (r).
8.05 To the Manor Born starring Penelope Keith and Peter Bowles. The first episode of the successful comedy series in which Marjorie Frobisher's dreams of a wealthy widowhood are shattered by the news that her late husband was insolvent and that the manor will have to be sold to pay his debts. Into her life comes parvenu, Richard DeVere (r).
8.30 Bootle Saddles. A new comedy series about a northern couple who build an authentic Wild West town in Lancashire. Their first guest to 'Apache Wells' include the Chesterfield Comanchero, a representative of the Rochdale Roughriders and the fastest gun in the UK – The Wythenshaw Kid.
9.00 Kelly Monteith. The American comedian begins a new series in which he takes a wry look at life.
9.30 Dossers. A documentary about a group of people who live rough (see Choice).
10.25 The Man Behind the Green Door. Comedy featuring the probing journalist, Kevin Turvey (Ade Edmondson) (r).
10.55 Newsnight.
11.45 Open University: Kafka and his World 12.10 The View from Detroit. Ends at 12.40.

CHANNEL 4

9.30 SDP '84. Live coverage of the debates. The reporters in Buxton are Gus Macdonald, Peter Allen and, reporting on the fringe activities, Roger Blyth. Ends at 12.30.
2.00 SDP '84. Further coverage of the debates.
5.30 WKRP in Cincinnati. Comedy series about the staff of a rundown commercial radio station. This evening's episode is in a series of flashbacks, necessitated by Mama Carlson who demands to know the backgrounds of Andy and Venus after overhearing a slip of the tongue.
6.00 Well Being presented by Pamela Armstrong and Dr Simon Small. Today's edition of the repeat series on health examines the effects of sleep, or the lack of it, on our health. The programme includes interviews with people with sleep disorders; shiftworkers who describe how working at *night has affected their health* and lifestyles; and a visit to a sleep clinic where a woman claims she has not slept properly for 14 years (r).
6.40 Let's Parlez Franglais. Le Pregnancy Test finds Peter Jeffrey and Rosemary Leach somewhat taken aback by 16-year-old daughter Yvette Fielding's breakfast announcement: Aux Races features Francis Matthews and his wife listening to Peter O'Sullevan's Franglais race commentary: Le Dry Cleaning has Janet Suzman as the bemused customer trying to collect her clothes from Paula Wilcox, *the shop assistant.*
7.00 Channel Four News with Peter Sissons includes the results of a Harris Poll of SDP members about the Party leadership and the alliance with the Liberals.
7.50 Comment. With his view on a matter of topical importance is the former Chief Constable of Devon and Cornwall, John Alderson.
8.00 Brookside. Gordon receives a mysterious letter from an unknown girl demanding money.
8.30 Chance in a Million. The first of a new comedy series starring Simon Callow and Brenda Blethyn. Callow plays Tom Chance, an unfortunate man who is dogged by disasters.
9.00 Kellogg's City Centre Cycling. The penultimate race in the series and the riders are in Birmingham.
10.00 St Elsewhere. Drama and laughter from the run-down Boston hospital where, tonight, cancer-sufferer Dr Auschlander puts aside ideas of suicide when he learns that a bright 11-year-old is a leukaemia victim.
11.00 Film: Toute Une Nuit (1982). A series of couples falling into each others arms in an *Unnamed* European city leaves the viewer to imagine the circumstances that led to the greeting or parting. Directed by Chantal Akerman.
12.40 Closedown.

Radio 4

Programmes on long wave. † indicates VHF stereo.
6.00 News Briefing; Weather.
6.10 Farming Week from Northern Ireland. 6.25 Shipping Forecast.
6.30 Today, including 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News summary. 6.45 Prayer for the Day. 6.55, 7.55 Weather. 7.00, 8.00 News. 7.25, 8.25 Sport. 7.45 Thought for the Day.
8.35 The week on 4.
8.43 Lady Addle Remembers (Part 6). 8.57 Weather: Travel.
9.00 News.
9.05 Start the Week with Richard Baker and studio guests.
10.00 News: A Small Country Living. Jeanine McMullen meets people who earn a living from traditional rural work.
10.30 Morning Story: "Mrs Levy Samples Scotland" by Hill Slavid. Read by Cyril Shaps.
10.45 Daily Service (NEM, page 114).
11.00 News; Travel; Down the Severn. Tom Salmon continues his journey from the source to the mouth of the River Severn (3).
11.48 Poetry Please! Listeners' requests.
12.00 News; You and Yours. Consumer advice.
12.27 Around the World in 25 years. *Second of ten programmes in* which Johnny Morris recalls some omf the places he has visited and people he has met during 25 years – Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. 12.55 Weather.
1.00 The World at One: News.
1.40 The Archers. 1.55Shipping Forecast.
2.00 News; Woman's Hour. Today's edition includes Phil Smith's *autumn journey through the north* of England. And episode four of The Fall of the Sparow, by Nigel Balchin.
3.00 Afternoon Theatre: Dangerous Corner, by J B Priestley. The famous "time" play, with Martin Jarvis, Stephanie Turner and Heather Stoney (r) †
4.30 Curious Corners (new series). A series of fiive programmes about *some of Britain's more unlikely* houses (1) Abbotts Worthy Mill near Winchester.
4.40 Short Story: "Act of Mercy" by Francis Clifford, abridged in ten parts (6). Read by Sean Barrett.
5.00 PM: News. 5.50 Shipping. 5.55 Weather.
6.00 The Six o'clock news; Financial Report.
6.30 Quote . . . unquote: with Basil Boothroyd, June Knox-Mawer, Shelley Rohde, and Jeremy Sinden (r).
7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.
7.20 Science Now, with Peter Evans.
7.50 Strictly Instrumental. Second of four programmes in which Jack Brymer talks to Margaret Howard about his musical life.
8.15 The Monday Play "Absolute Decline" by Stephen Jeffreys. With Lewis Fiander, Wyllie Longmore and Patience Tomlinson. The story of a student who must decide between three different worlds and three different men.
9.45 Kaleidoscope: Includes comment on the Venice Film Festival, and OSUD/Mahogany Songs (English National Opera, at the Coliseum, London).
10.15 A Book at Bedtime: "Wide Sargasso Sea" by Jean Rhys (6). Read by Ian Holm and Jane Lapotaire. 10.29 Weather.
10.30 The World Tonight, including 11.00 Headlines.
11.15 The Financial World Tonight.
11.30 Music at Night.
12.00 News. 12.10 Weather. 12.15 Close. Shipping forecast.
VHF (available in England & S Wales only). Radio 4 vhf is as above, except: 6.25-6.30am Weather; Travel. 11.00-12.00pm For Schools: 11.00 Religious in the Community. 11.20 Make Up Your Mind. 11.40 Listening to Music. 1.55-2.00 Listening Corner. 2.00-3.00 For Schools: 2.00 Salut les Jeunes! 2.30 Advanced Level English. 5.50-5.55 PM (cont'd). 11.00-11.30 Study on 4: When Language Breaks Down.

Radio 3

6.55 Weather. 7.00 News.
7.05 Morning Concert: Brahms's Waltzes Op 39 for piano duet: Schumann's Die beiden Grenadiere; Crusell's Clarinet Concerto No 2, Op 5; Dvorak's Slavonic Dance in B, Op 72 No 1.† 8.00 News.
8.05 Morning Concert (contd). J C Bach's Symphony in D, Op 18 No 4. Tallis motet Spem in alium: Finzi's Eclogue Op 10 for piano and string orchestra; Ravel's Le tombeau de Couperin.† 9.00 News.
9.05 This Week's Composer: Peter Maxwell Davies. Dark Angels (Degaetani, mezzo, and Ghiglia, guitar); Prelude and Fugue in C sharp major ('48, Book 1) – Bach, trans Maxwell-Davies; and Ave Maris Stella.†
10.00 Rachmaninov: the complete solo piano music. Howard Shelley, continuing his Wigmore Hall marathon, plays the Morceaux de Salon Op 10; Six Moments Musicaux, Op 16. Next programme next Monday morning.†
11.00 Orchestral Music. Brahms's Tragic Overture Opus 81: Dvorak's Symphony No 3 †
11.50 English Songs: Brian Rayner Cook (baritone), with Antony Saunders (piano) performs works by Harry Gill (A Saxon Song: In memoriam); and Vaughan-Williams's song cycle The House of Life (six sonnets by Dante Gabriel Rossetti) †
12.10 Concert: BBC Concert Orchestra. Part One. Gliere's ballet suite. The Red Poppy, and Constant Lambert's Aubade heroque.† 1.00 News. Concert, part two. Offenbach's (arranged Rosenthal) ballet music Gaité parisienne.†
1.45 Schubert: Franz Schubert Quartet play the Quartet in E, D353.
2.10 Bach: Barhold Kuijken (flute) and Johann Sonnleitner (harpsichord) play the Sonata in A major BWV 1013.†
3.00 New Records: Strauss's Piano Sonata in B minor; Hahn's song cycle Venezia; and George Lloyd's Symphony No 4 4.55 News
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure, another of Natalie Wheen's selections †
6.30 Music for Organ. Ton Koopman plays works by Sweelinck, Correa de Arauxo, and Michel Angelo Rossi (Toccata settima).†
7.00 Mozart on authentic instruments: Esterhazy Quartet play the String Quartet in B flat K 458 †
7.30 Proms 84: (see panel).†
8.10 Death in San Remo: a talk by Dr John Pemble, Lecturer in History.
8.30 Proms 84: (see panel).
9.35 The Troubled Dream: Third of four documentaries about the Welfare State, introduced by Professor A H Halsey, Director of Social and Administrative Studies at the University of Oxford. Among those he talks to are Bernard Bruhnes, former adviser to President Mitterrand's government.
10.30 Jazz Today: Charles Fox presents the Tony Coe Trio.†
11.15 News. Until 11.18.
VHF only – Open University: 6.35-6.55am The Gospel of Work. 11.20pm Faiths Seek Fellowship. 11.40-12.00 Technology: Values for Money.

Radio 2

News on the hour. Headlines 5.30 am, 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 (medium wave). † denotes also VHF stereo.
4.00 am Martin Kelner presents The Early Show. † 5.30 Bill Rennells including 6.15 Thought for the Day 7.30 Terry Wogan † including 8.31 Racing. 8.45 Pause for Thought. 10.00 Jimmy Young. † 12.00 Steve Jones † including 1.05, 2.05 Sports Desk. 2.05 Gloria Hunniford † including 3.02 Sports Desk 3.30 Music All The Way † including 4.02 Sports Desk. *4.05 David Hamilton* † including 5.05, 6.02 Sports Desk. 6.05 Ken Bruce † including 6.45 Sport and Classified Results (mf only). 7.55 Cricket Scores. 8.00 Alan Dell with Dance Band Days and Big Band Era. † 9.00 Humphrey Lyttelton with the Best of Jazz on record. † 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.00 The Doomed Oasis. Arabian adventure by Hammond Innes (3) 10.30 Cut Off At The Fringe. Choice cuts of comedy from the 1984 Edinburgh Festival Fringe. 11.00 Brian Matthew presents Round Midnight (stereo from midnight) including 11.02, 12.05 Sports Desk. 1.00 am Charles Nove presents Nightride. † 3.00-4.00 Folk on 2 †

Radio 1

News on the half hour from 6.30 am until 9.30 pm and at 12.00 midnight (medium wave) † denotes also VHF stereo
6.00 Adrian John 7.00 Mike Read 9.00 Simon Bates 11.30 Gary Davies including 12.30 Newsbeat. 2.00 Andy Peebles 4.30 Bruno Brookes including 5.30 Newsbeat. 7.00 Janice Long 10.00-12.00 John Peel † VHF Radios 1 & 2: 4.00 am With Radio 2 10.00 pm With Radio 1 12.00-4.00 am With Radio 2.

WORLD SERVICE

6.00am Newsdesk. 6.30 Baker's Half Dozen 7.00 World News 7.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 7.30 Sarah and Company 8.00 World News 8.09 Reflections. 8.15 The Young Visitors 8.30 Anything Goes 9.00 World News 9.09 Review of the British Press. 9.15 Waveguide 9.25 Good Books 9.40 Look Ahead 9.45 Music Now 10.15 Letter from. 11.00 World News 11.09 News About Britain 11.15 I Like It Here 11.30 Omnibus 12.00 Radio Newsreel 12.15 *Brain of Britain 1984* 12.45 *Sports Round-up* 1.00 World News. 1.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 1.30 The Sound Check. 1.45 The Plant Hunters 2.30 Modern Masterpieces 3.00 Radio Newsreel 3.15 Outlook. 4.00 World News 4.09 Commentary 4.15 Hot Air 4.30 Letter from 8.00 World News 8.09 Twenty-Four Hours 8.30 Sports International 9.00 Network UK. 9.15 I Like It Here 9.30 Counterpoint 10.00 World News. 10.09 The World Today. 10.25 Book Choice. 10.30 Financial News 10.40 Reflections 10.45 *Sports Roundup* 11.00 *World News.* 11.09 Commentary. 11.15 Hot Air 11.30 Brain of Britain 1984 12.00 World News 12.09 News About Britain 12.15 Radio Newsreel 12.30 The Plant Hunters 1.15 Outlook. 1.45 Double Act 2.00 World News. 2.09 *Review* of the British Press. 2.15 Network UK 2.30 Sports International. 3.00 World News 3.09 News About Britain. 3.15 The World Today. 3.30 John Peel 4.45 Financial News 4.55 Reflections. 5.00 World News. 5.09 Twenty-Four Hours 5.45 The World Today

(All times in GMT)

WHAT THE SYMBOLS MEAN

† Stereo. ★ Black and white. (r) Repeat

FREQUENCIES: Radio 1: 1053kHz/285m; 1089kHz/275m; Radio 2: 693kHz/433m; 909kHz/330m; Radio 3: 1215kHz/247m: VHF -90-92.5; Radio 4: 200kHz 1500m: VHF -92-95; LBC 1152kHz/261m; VHF 97.3; Capital: 1548kHz/194m: VHF 95.8; BBC Radio London 1458kHz/206m: VHF 94.9; World Service MF 648kHz/463m.

BBC 1 Wales: 12.57pm-1.00 News of Wales headlines. 3.48-3.50 News of Wales headlines. 5.30-5.35 Cartoon. 5.35-5.58 Wales today. 6.30-6.55 Gardening Together. 11.55-12.00 News and weather. Scotland: 12.55pm-1.00 The Scottish news. 6.30-6.55 Reporting Scotland. 6.55-7.40 Blue Thunder. 11.55-12.00 News and weather. Northern Ireland: 12.57pm-1.00 Northern Ireland news. 3.48-3.50 Northern Ireland news. 6.30-6.55 Inside Ulster. 11.55-12.00 News and weather. England: 6.30-6.55 Regional news magazines.

S4C Starts 9.30am SDP Conference. 12.30pm Interval. 2.00 Chwedlau Aesop. 2.15 Interval. 2.30 SDP Conference. 5.00 Pictiwrs Bach. 5.05 Rhwcedabew. 5.35 Buffalo Bill. 6.00 Case on Camera. 6.30 Babble. 7.00 Newyddion Saith. 7.30 *Penigamp.* 8.00 Upstairs, Downstairs. 9.00 Clywed Y Clywedogau. 9.45 Y Byd Ar Bedwar. 10.15 They came from Somewhere Else. 10.45 Food for Thought. 11.25 Listening Eye. 11.55 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As London except: 11.25am Traction Engines. 11.35-12.00 Home. 1.20pm News. 1.30 *Film: Malta Story** (Alec Guinness). 3.25 Cartoon. 3.30-4.00 Country Practice. 5.15-5.45 Blockbusters. 6.00 Calendar. 6.30-7.00 Star Choice. 10.30 Hill Street Blues. 11.25 Crown Green Bowling. 12.10am Closedown.

REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

SCOTTISH As London except: 11.25am Struggle Beneath the Sea. 11.55-12.00 Cartoon. 1.20pm News. 1.30 Film: California Gold Rush. 3.30-4.00 Sons and Daughters. 6.00 Scotland Today. 6.30 Hear Here. 6.45-7.00 Crime Desk. 10.30 Between the Lines. 11.00 Late Call. 11.05 Last *Outlaw. 12.05am Closedown.*

CENTRAL As London except: 9.25am-10.25 James Michener. 11.25 Joanie Loves Chachi. 11.50-12.00 Comic Stories. 1.20pm News. 1.30-3.30 Film: Fanny by Gaslight* (James Mason). 5.15-5.45 Blockbusters. 6.00-7.00 News. 10.35 Film: Garnett Saga (Warren Mitchell). 12.20am Contact. 12.40 Closedown.

GRANADA As London except: 11.25am Survival. 11.50-12.00 Wattoo Wattoo. 1.20pm Granada Reports. 1.30 We'll Meet Again. 2.30 Scramble. 3.25 News. 3.30-4.00 Protectors. 5.15-5.45 Blockbusters. 6.00 Sons and Daughters. 6.30-7.00 Granada Reports. 10.30 Sweeney. 11.30 Gloria Gaynor. 12.30am Closedown.

CHANNEL As London except: Starts 12.00-12.10pm Flicks. 1.20 News. 1.30 Bygones. 2.00-4.00 Film: Walk Don't Run. 6.00 Channel report. 6.30-7.00 Gardens for All. 10.35 Hammer mystery. 11.55 Closedown.

BORDER As London except: 11.25am Jump. 11.35-12.00 Stan and Ollie* 1.20pm News 1.30 Electric Theatre Show. 2.00-4.00 Film: Robbery (Stanley Baker). 5.15-5.45 Blockbusters. 6.00 Lookaround. 6.30-7.00 Take the High Road. 10.30 Falcon Crest. 11.25 Rock Slot. 12.10am *Closedown.*

TSW As London except: 11.25am Sport Billy. 11.50-12.00 Professor Kitzel. 1.20pm News. 1.30 Bygones. 2.00-4.00 Film: Walk Don't Run. (Cary Grant). 6.30-7.00 Gardens for All. 10.35 Hammer Mystery. 11.55 Singapore Musical Tour. 12.20am Postscript. Closedown.

GRAMPIAN *As London except:* 11.25am Cartoon. 11.35-12.00 Matt and Jenny. 1.20pm News. 1.30-3.30 Film: Operation Crossbow (Sophia Loren). 6.00-7.00 North Tonight. 10.30 Film: Blazing Magnum (Stuart Whitman). 12.30am News, Closedown.

TYNE TEES As London except: 11.25am Cartoon. 11.35-12.00 *Home. 1.30 Film:* She. (Ursula Andress). 3.30-4.00 Movie memories. 5.15-5.45 Blockbusters. 6.00 News. 6.02 Cop and the Kid. 6.30-7.00 Northern Life. 10.32 Sporting Chance. 11.00 Hill Street Blues. 12.00 Viewed from Above, Closedown.

TVS As London except: 11.25am Secret Valley. 11.50-12.00 Cartoon. 1.20pm News. 1.30 Film: John Sullivan Story. 3.30-4.00 Take The High Road. 5.12-5.45 Sons and Daughters. 6.00 Coast to Coast. 6.40-7.00 Airmail. 10.30 Film: Last Embrace (Roy Scheider). 12.25am Company, Closedown.

HTV As London except: 11.30am-12.00 Home. 1.20 News. 1.30-3.30 Film: Flight from Ashiya (Yul Brynner). 5.15-5.45 Blockbusters. 6.00-7.00 News. 10.30 Hill Street *Blues.* 11.30 Randy Edelman. 12.00 Closedown.

HTV WALES As HTV West except: 6.00pm-7.00 Wales at Six.

ULSTER As London except: *11.25am Fabulous* Funnies. 11.40-12.00 Sally and Jake. 1.20pm Lunchtime. 1.30 We'll Meet Again. 2.30 Poseidon Files. 3.30-4.00 Gambit. 5.15-5.45 Blocbusters. 6.00 Good Evening Ulster. 6.30-7.00 Lifestyle. 10.30 Trauma. 11.00 Casablanca. 11.50 News. Closedown

ANGLIA as London except: 11.25am Spread Your *Wings.* 11.50-12.00 Wattoo, Wattoo. 1.20pm News. 1.30-3.30 Film: True as a Turtle. Comedy. 6.00 About Anglia. 6.30-7.00 Survival. 10.30 Powerboat racing. 11.00 Hill Street Blues. 12.00 Portrait of a Legend. 12.30am Reflection, Closedown.

Call off pit mob urges Brittan

By Anthony Bevins
Political Correspondent

Mr Leon Brittan, the Home Secretary, yesterday challenged Mr Arthur Scargill to "call off the mob" attempting to stop miners going to work.

He said in an interview on BBC radio's *World This Weekend* that the miners' leaders had shown at Brighton last week that they could prevent violence when they wanted to.

"But they are not doing the same at the pit villages, and at the pits, and they are not stopping the intimidation. There is a very heavy duty on those who organize the strike to call off the mob," he said.

Mr Brittan was responding to an interview with strikers, who said that police tactics would permanently affect their relationship with the police.

Mr Gordon Clough, the presenter, said that protests had been recieved about the balance of the report.

Last night the BBC was vague about the number of telephone complaints, but they thought they were fewer than 50.

The minister said tht he agreed that the whole thing was so unfortunate and that there would have to be some bridge building when the strike ended.

Mr Brittan said: "The police were their to enable people to carry out their ordinary right of going to their place of work.

"We have heard talk of 2,000 people who were there and two people wanting to go into work. Now if you have got two people going into work you cannot possibly need 2,000 people to persuade them not to."

"The only purpose of the police is to prevent the mob stopping people going to work. Now of course, if the police are to do that effectively, if you are faced with 2,000 people, you have to use pretty direct tactics in order to achieve that objective."

Mr Tom King, Secretary of State for Employment, said in the same programme: "More than a million people have left the trade union movement, and if you look at the falling membership it is not difficult to see why.

"It's falling because so much of what people see about trade union behaviour, of the small bunch of militants that have taken over in certain areas, is very offensive and unattractive to the vast majority of people in this country, and they are voting with their feet."





Under the hammer: Tom Keating's "The Artist's Mother with a pint of Guinness" in the manner of Rubens (left); "The Artist and Jane Kelly working in the studio" (above, right); and "Study for The Haywain" in the manner of Constable.

Keating's works likely to fetch high prices

Paintings and sketches by Tom Keating the art faker, are expected to fetch [illegible] prices today when they go under the hammer at Christie's in London.

Public interest in the sale – the first since the artist's death last February at the age of 67 – has been "staggering", according to Mr David Collins, director of the auction house's picture department.

"The number of people coming to view the works has been very high and we have had calls from people all over the world," he said.

Estimated prices printed in the catalogue have had to be revised after the unexpected interest. Many of the paintings were priced provisionally at between £100 and £200.

"It now looks extremely unlikely that any of the works will go for £200 or less", Mr Collins said.

But he rejected the suggestion that the works were being overpriced in relation to the quality of painting. "There has been a lot of public interest in the man – and public interest is what pushes up prices," he said.

The works to be sold comprise the contents of Keating's studio at Dedham, Suffolk. The sale will consist of 200 lots including works inspired by the Old Masters and the French Impressionists.

Keating, who died without leaving a will, claimed to have produced 2,000 imitation works in 25 years.

In 1979 he appeared at the Central Criminal Court on charges of conspiracy and criminal deception, but the trial was stopped after five weeks because of his ill-health.

Rail union has second thoughts on stoppage

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If it does decide to proceed, the stoppage could have a paralysing effect. Without NUR signalmen, main-line trains would not run, and since the union is strongly represented on the London Underground, services there would be drastically curtailed.

The NUR's "last minute thoughts" over the action follow doubts emerging over pledges by British Rail on the security of jobs and services – promises which have been accepted by Aslef.

If the NUR goes ahead with the action, not only Wednesday's services would be affected, but late night trains would be disrupted tomorrow and early services affected on Thursday.

Pit peace talks restart search for settlement

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The TUC involvement follows last week's decision of the annual Congress to give "total support" to the objectives of the striking miners.

The coal board and the NUM agreed on the Scottish capital as a venue for the talks in an effort to get back to what has become known as "the spirit of Edinburgh": the feeling on both sides that a negotiated settlement was possible in an earlier round of negotiations three months ago but which eventually collapsed when they transferred to Mr Scargill's home coalfield of Yorkshire.

● Dr David Owen, leader of the Social Democratic Party, said yesterday that there would be profound long-term consequences, political, social and economic, if Mr Scargill and his associates came out of talks with the National Coal Board "with smiling faces, claiming that their six months strike had been a success" (Our Political Editor writes).

It would be quite wrong to reward Mr Scargill and those closest to him on his union's executive, who did not speak for the average miner (for) "their tactics of intimidation, of violence, of mass secondary picketing and totally irresponsible trade unionism", Dr Owen said in an interview for BBC Radio.

Dr Owen added that what had to be done – and the Government had done it very badly – was to mobilize the support of the majority of moderate miners. That meant showing more concern for their fears about unemployment.

Letter from Sharpeville

Violent expressions of black frustration

From a field just outside Sharpeville one evening last week, Army helicopters were flying reconnaissance sorties over the riot-torn black township little more than a mile away. On the other side of an intervening road a cricket club from the adjacent white town of Vereeniging was enjoying its first game of the South African summer.

The images [illegible] with [illegible] of how largely untouched white South Africa has been by the current upheavals. The scenes of mayhem seen on television abroad – South Africa's television has largely ignored the riots – and splashed across the front pages of foreign newspapers have no doubt already discounted what little credit the Government's modest racial reforms might have earned.

In one sense, however, the coverage is distorting because it tends to create the impression of incipient revolution, whereas the outbreaks of violence are an expression of black impotence and frustration as much as anything else. Unable to strike directly at the white Government, which is the source of their oppression, black communities explode in orgies of self-destructive and almost entirely self-contained fury.

"Out of sight, out of mind" is at least part of the rationale for apartheid, and to a degree it is a policy that works. When I arrived in Vereeniging last Monday evening at the height of the rioting, the first six whites I asked were unable to give me any clear directions to Sharpeville, only three miles down the road.

The Government has distanced itself from the direct administration of black townships by setting up locally elected councils which are expected to execute the decisions taken on such matters as rent, electricity, water and sewage charges, by the white Regional Development Boards which hold ultimate authority.

It is on the hapless and unpopular blacks who sit on these councils – elections to them seldom produce a turnout of much more than 10 to 15 per cent – that black anger is most easily vented. Three black councillors were murdered during the disturbances.

Another group who took it in the neck were Indian businessmen and shopowners in Evaton, which, along with Sharpeville and Sebokeng, was one of the areas most badly hit by the riots. Their property was almost entirely destroyed.

It seems more likely that the Indians were singled out as symbols of wealth, as they often have been elsewhere in Africa, rather than as scapegoats for a political protest against the new constitution, which gives parliamentary representation to mixed-race Coloureds and Indians but not to Africans.

Trying to pinpoint the reasons for the riots, or why they should break out in certain places rather than others, is not easy.

Rents are a sensitive issue because the Government is using them to pay for the installation of basic services, such as sewage and electricity, which most blacks say should have been provided long ago.

Twenty-four years ago, Sharpeville was etched for ever on the soul of black resistance when the police panicked and opened fire on 10,000 blacks demonstrating against the pass laws, which rigidly control black movement outside the reserves. Sixty-nine were killed, mostly shot in the back as they ran away, and 178 wounded.

The demonstration was part of a country-wide "defiance" campaign in which blacks burnt their passbooks, which they have to carry by law, and demanded to be arrested. The Government responded with massive repression, declaring a state of emergency and banning both the African National Congress and the Pan-Africanist Congress.

Mr Louis Le Grange, the Minister of Law and Order, has raised fears of similar action against the United Democratic Front (UDF), the multi-racial movement which is seen as continuing the defiance campaign tradition. He also insists that the Government is still only prepared to talk to the discredited town councillors.

The white Development Board in the Vaal River region, however, has shown more flexibility by entering into negotiations on the rent issue with a Sharpeville delegation chosen by the residents.

Michael Hornsby

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements

Princess Anne opens the new kidney unit at the Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital, Exeter, 2.45.

New exhibitions

Paintings by Irene Halliday, Gladstone's Land Gallery, Lawnmarket, Edinburgh: Mon to Sat 10 to 4.30, Sun 2 to 4.30, (from today until Sept 30).

Four rooms: Averdeen Art Gallery and Museum, Schoolhill, Aberdeen. Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Thurs 10 to 8, Sun 2 to 5 (until Oct 6).

National Exhibition of the Association of Guilds and Weavers, Spinners and Dyers. Abbot Hall Art Gallery, Kendal Cumbria: Mon to Fri 10.30 to 5.30 Sat and Sun 2 to 5 (end Oct 28).

Paintings by John Langhorne: The Museum of Lakeland Life and Industry, Abbot Hall Kirkland, Kendal; Mon to Fri 10.30 to 5, Sat and Sun 2 to 5 (until Oct 28).

Tom Ungerer, graphic designer and writer. Museum ad Art Gallery; 96 New Walk Leicester; Mon to Sat 10 to 5.30 Sun 2 to 5.30, (until Oct 28).

Badgers: Chelmsford and Essex Museum, Oaklands Park, Moulsham Street, Chelmsford; Mon to Sat 10 to 5 and Sun 2 to 5 (until Oct 7).

Traditional and modern embroideries; Museum and Art Gallery, Blagrave Street, Reading, Mon to Fri 10 to 5.30, Sat 10 to 5 (until Sept 29).

A clue to history – Portraits of writers from Shakespeare to Beckett; Dorset County Museum, Dorchester Mon to Fri 10 to 5, Sat 10 to 1 and 2 to 5, (until Oct 6).

Paintings and drawings by Peter Greenham, RA; City museum and art gallery Drake Circus, Plymouth, Monday to Saturday, 10 to 6 (until Oct 15).

The English in line, and Ralph Steadman's Leonardo Cartoons; both at Newport Museum and Art Gallery, John Frost Square, Newport, Gwent; Mon to Thurs 10 to 5.30, Fri 10 to 4.30, Sat 9.30 to 4 (until Oct 20).

The Times Crossword No 16,531

ACROSS
1 He falls behind to pull a girl back (7).
5 Jazz fan holding nude entertainment in restaurant (7).
9 Discompose a clique in Uttar Pradesh (5).
10 Agreement one has about a musical instrument (9).
11 Like the worst part of a dirty film (6).
12 Tax this novel, like "Redgauntlet"? (8).
14 Skilled performer inclined to keep notes (5).
15 Feigned anguish, say, at the celebration? (9).
18 Exciting experience coming to a river (9).
20 See soldier about Kantian philosophy (5).
22 Missile featuring as part of newscast (8).
24 Zambian leader in Islington area with a plant (6).
26 Declaration of condition intended to be heard (9).
27 Common old woman, but uncommon tutor (5).
28 Way to address a man outside northern church? (7).
29 Capricious course Artemus followed (7).

DOWN
1 State of oil in USA? A haphazard arrangement (9).
2 Joke you're heard to make in conciliatory action? (7).
3 It may be inanimate, but a French one bears fruit (9).
4 Distribute timber in Kent (4).
5 Beetle irritating to Chanticleer (10).
6 Gamble about engineer's hat (5)
7 A barrier to such abuse? (7).
8 Fish in ditch, not river (5).
13 He's the examiner who counts when it comes to a vote (10).
16 A handy way of predicting the future (9).
17 Delighted to sing when in need, perhaps (9).
19 Scoundrel appears to be purposelessly bad (7).
21 Unusual vessel for many in lagoon, possibly (7).
22 Twigs what one means by "broom" (5).
23 Leave former wife to have a meal (5).
25 Pack in point-to-point (4).

The Solution of Saturday's Prize Puzzle No. 16,530 will appear next Saturday

CONCISE CROSSWORD PAGE 10

Roads

London and South-east: A409: Single lane traffic on St John's Road, Harrow.
Wales and West: A40: Temporary lights on Carmarthern to Haverfordwest road between Bancyfelin and St Clears. A31: Delays on Ringwood to Wimborne road at Trickett's Cross, Dorset. M5: Contraflow between junctions 15 and 17, near Bristol.
Midlands and East Anglia: A17: Roadworks on Sleaford to Kings Lynn road at Swineshead bridge. A5: Contraflow SE of Tamworth, Staffs. A1: Contraflow on Grantham to Newark road, N of Gonerby Moor.
North: A628: Roadworks between Hollingsworth and Woodhead at Crowden, Derbyshire. M62: Lane and slip-road closures between junctions 14 and 15, (Greater Manchester). M6: Contraflow berween junctions 22 (Warrington) and 25 (Wigan).
Scotland: A905: Roadworks at junction 5(M9) in Stirlingshire; access to eastbound carriageway of M9 closed, diversion via junction 4. A7: Single line traffic with lights S of Selkirk.
Information supplied by the AA

RAF

To mark the beginning of Battle of Britain week today, an appeal is being launched by The Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund. Last year the total expenditure of the Fund exceeded £4 million, and 10,778 cases were helped.

The Fund would also welcome news of any people in need who might be unaware of their eligibility or who are perhaps too proud to seek help themselves.
Address: RAF Benevolent Fund, 67 Portland Place, London WIN 4AR.

Bond winners

Winning numbers in the weekly draw for Premium Bond prizes are: £100,000: 10KL 992281 (the winner comes from Poole); £50,000: 3BS 144492 (North Yorkshire); £25,000: 8LS 208793 (Preston).

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Nature notes

The caterpillar season is almost over, but other food is abundant for birds. Blue tits rip the bark off tree-trunks to get at hidden insects, and sometimes come into houses to tear off the wallpaper or chip at loose putty. Song-thrushes pick up snails, either by the rim of the shell or by spearing the snail inside, and crack them open against stones or walls till the snail falls out. Woodpigeons hang upside down to get at the green berries on the whitebeams.

Summer flowers are coming to an end, but some species go on well into September. The flat-topped yellow flowers of tansy, which smell like lemons, are thick in the roadside ditches. The yellow spikes of agrimony often grow nearby, though most of the flowerheads are drooping now and giving place to hooked brown seeds. At the edge of many fields there are tangled white masses of scentless mayweed and corn chamomile. On the coast, yellow horned poppies are still flowering on the shingle, and golden samphire on the cliffs and sea-walls. Red admiral butterflies are setting out for France and Spain; and some may even reach North Africa; but a few will stay in England, and hibernate when the frosts begin.

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Anniversaries

Births: Sir John Soane, architect, Goring-on-Thames, 1753; Sir J. R. Seeley, historian and essayist, London, 1834; Thomas Sydenham, physician, Wynford Eagle, Dorset, 1624; Ugo Foscolo, poet, died Furnham Green, Middlesex, 1827.

The pound

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	1.60	1.53
Austria Sch	27.85	26.25
Belgium Fr	80.00	76.00
Canada $	1.72	1.65
Denmark Kr	14.28	13.58
Finland Mkk	8.23	7.83
France Fr	11.89	11.40
Germany DM	3.92	3.73
Greece Dr	156.00	147.00
Hongkong $	10.45	9.85
Ireland Pt	1.27	1.21
Italy Lira	2400.00	2300.00
Japan Yen	326.00	310.00
Netherlands Gld	4.45	4.22
Norway Kr	11.15	10.65
Portugal Esc	201.00	192.00
South Africa Rd	2.28	2.12
Spain Pts	219.50	208.50
Sweden Kr	11.18	10.68
Switzerland Fr	3.27	3.11
USA $	1.32	1.27
Yugoslavia Dnr	247.00	232.00

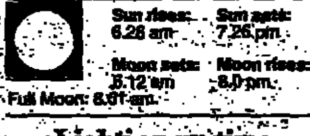
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Retail Price Index: 351.5.
London: The FT Index closed up 2.8 on Friday at 851.7.
New York: The Dow Jones Industrial average closed down 11.48 on Friday at 1207.38.

The papers

The miners' strike has now lasted longer than the great coal strike of 1926, yet "the longer this strike goes on, the less it appears like a revolution and more like an historical irrelevance", said The Observer.

The Sunday Telegraph was equally gloomy, and predicted that yesterday's talks between the NUM and the NCB could result in a sensible settlement only through a near-miracle. "Mr Scargill is clearly not minded to give an inch, and Mr MacGregor clearly cannot surrender. All the omens ... point to caution".



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Weather

A depression in the North Sea will continue to move away E; a strong NW airstream will cover all areas but a trough of low pressure will approach NW areas later.

6 am to midnight

London, central S, NW, central N England, Midlands, Channel Islands, Lake District: Scattered showers dying out, sunny intervals; wind NW, fresh or strong; max temp 14 to 16c (57 to 61f).
SE, E, NE England, East Anglia: Cloudy, outbreaks of rain turning showery, bright intervals later; wind NW, strong, gales in exposed places; temp 13 to 15c (55 to 59f).
SW England, Wales, Isle of Man: A few showers chiefly over windward coasts and hills, sunny intervals, becoming generally cloudy later; wind NW, moderate or fresh; temp 14 to 16c (57 to 61f).
Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Moray Firth, NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Rather cloudy, showers dying out, sunny intervals; wind NW, strong, gales in exposed places; temp 12 to 14c (54 to 57f).
SW, NW Scotland, Glasgow, central Highlands, Argyll, Northern Ireland: Showers dying out but further rain later; wind NW, strong, moderating and backing W later; max temp 13 to 15c (55 to 59f).
Outlook for tomorrow and Wednesday: Unsettled, temperatures recovering to near normal, windy.
SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea: Wind NW, strong, occasionally gale at first; sea very rough. Strait of Dover, English Channel (E), St George's Channel: Wind W or NW, strong or gale, decreasing fresh; sea very rough, becoming moderate.

Sun rises: 6.28 am Sun sets: 7.26 pm
Moon sets: 5.12 am Moon rises: 8.0 pm
Full Moon: 8.01 am.

Lighting-up time

London 7.56 pm to 6.58am
Bristol 8.06 pm to 6.09am
Edinburgh 8.13 pm to 6.07am
Manchester 8.07 pm to 6.06am
Penzance 8.17 pm to 6.22am

Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

		C	F			C	F
Belfast	r	13	55	Guernsey	s	13	64
Birmingham	f	18	64	Inverness	f	13	55
Blackpool	f	15	59	Jersey	c	17	63
Bristol	f	17	63	London	c	17	63
Cardiff	f	17	63	Manchester	f	15	59
Edinburgh	f	14	57	Newcastle	f	15	59
Glasgow	c	12	54	Ronaldsway	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

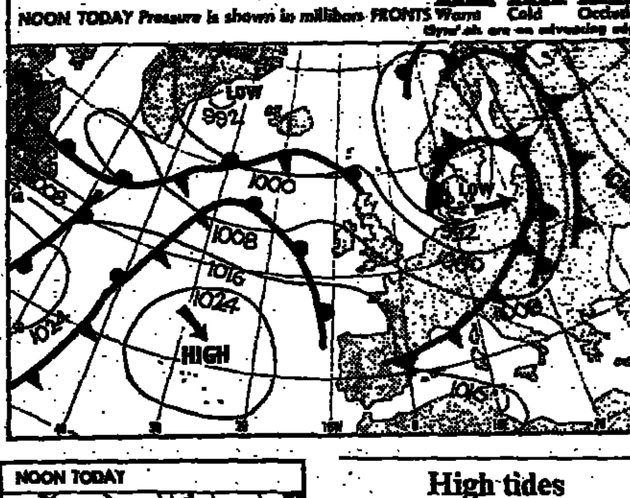
London

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 20C (68F); min 6pm to 6am, 13C (55F). Humidity: 6pm, 55 per cent. Rain: 24 hr to 6pm, 0.01 in. Sun: 24 hr to 6pm, 3.5 hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6pm, 996.9 millibars, falling.

Saturday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 19C (66F); min 6pm to 6am, 12C (55F). Humidity: 6pm, 69 per cent. Rain: 24 hr to 6pm, trace. Sun: 24 hr to 6pm, 2.7 hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6pm, 1012.8 millibars, falling.
1,000 millibars=29.53 in.

Highest and lowest

SATURDAY
Highest day temp: Hastings, 21C (70F); lowest day max: Cape Wrath, 12C (54F); highest rainfall: Hartland, 0.45in; highest sunshine: Skegness, 4.8hr.
YESTERDAY
Highest day temp: London (Heathrow), 21C (70F); lowest day max: Cape Wrath, 11C (52F); highest rainfall: Keswick, 1.14in; highest sunshine: Newcastle, 10.2 hr.





b-blue sky; bc-half clouded; c-cloudy; o-overcast; f-fog; d-drizzle; h-hail; m-mist; r-rain; s-snow; th-thunderstorm; p-showers. Arrows show wind direction, wind speed (mph) circled. Temperature in centigrade.

High tides

TODAY

	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	2.58	7.0	3.09	6.8
Aberdeen	2.03	4.1	2.38	4.0
Avonmouth	8.21	12.4	8.37	12.7
Belfast	-	-	12.08	3.1
Cardiff	8.08	11.4	8.22	11.8
Devonport	6.56	5.2	7.06	5.4
Dover	12.01	6.2	12.09	6.5
Falmouth	6.25	5.0	6.35	5.2
Glasgow	2.02	4.9	2.17	4.5
Harwich	12.50	3.9	1.05	3.9
Holyhead	11.31	5.2	11.37	5.6
Hull	7.18	7.2	7.50	6.9
Ilfracombe	7.04	8.6	7.19	8.9
Leith	3.36	5.2	4.08	5.2
Liverpool	12.05	9.2	12.26	8.9
Lowestoft	10.19	2.5	11.07	2.4
Margate	1.14	4.5	1.08	4.5
Milford Haven	7.19	6.8	7.34	6.9
Newquay	6.09	6.6	6.24	6.9
Oban	6.57	3.7	7.04	4.0
Penzance	5.51	5.3	6.01	5.5
Portland	8.19	2.0	8.33	2.2
Portsmouth	12.17	4.4	12.42	4.5
Shoreham	12.05	5.9	12.27	6.0
Southampton	-	-	12.15	4.4
Swansea	7.28	8.9	7.43	9.2
Tees	4.31	5.2	5.03	5.1
Walton-on-Naze	12.42	4.0	12.50	4.0

Tide measurement in metres: 1m=3.2808ft.

Around Britain

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
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Guernsey	57	.02	19	66	rain am
Scilly Isles	5.2	.04	19	66	showers
Newquay	3.3	.11	20	68	showers
Ilfracombe	2.0	.39	18	64	showers
Tenby	6.3	.14	17	63	sunny
Southport	5.2	.16	16	61	cloudy
Morecambe	6.3	.19	16	61	bright
Douglas	7.5	.21	16	61	showers pm
London (Ctr)	3.8	.01	20	68	sunny pm
B'ham (Airpt)	4.4	.04	19	66	showers pm
Bristol (Ctr)	4.7	.22	18	64	showers pm
Cardiff (Ctr)	3.2	.22	18	64	showers pm
Anglesey	3.6	.25	17	63	thunder
B'pool (Airpt)	5.1	.17	16	61	thunder pm
Manchester	3.3	.24	15	59	thunder pm
Nottingham	4.5	.09	18	64	showers pm
N'ctl-n-Tyne	10.2	.26	15	59	showers pm
Carlisle	7.3	.34	15	59	thunder pm
Eskdalemuir	8.2	.43	14	57	showers
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Abroad

MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

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